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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1877.

On the first Wednesday of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, being the day prescribed by the constitution for the legislature of New Hampshire to assemble, the following-named persons, elected senators, assembled in the capitol in the city of Concord in said state, and His Excellency the Governor, attended by the Honorable Council, having come into the senate chamber, thereupon took and subscribed the oaths of office, and were duly qualified as senators, agreeably to the provisions of the constitution; namely,—

From District No.	1—Hon. Marcellus Eldredge.
“ “	2—Hon. John W. Wheeler.
“ “	3—Hon. Hiram K. Slayton.
“ “	4—Hon. Natt Head.
“ “	5—Hon. David H. Buffum.
“ “	6—Hon. John F. Cloutman.
“ “	7—Hon. Harrison Eaton.
“ “	8—Hon. Oliver H. Noyes.
“ “	9—Hon. Royal H. Porter.
“ “	10—Hon. James Burnap.
“ “	11—Hon. James W. Johnson.
“ “	12—Hon. William H. Cummings.

His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council then withdrawing,—

The Senate was called to order by Tyler Westgate, clerk of the Senate of last year.

The clerk stated that the first business was the selection of a temporary presiding officer.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the Hon. Royal H. Porter was chosen temporary presiding officer,—

And the clerk requested Mr. Slayton of No. 3, and Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, to conduct the temporary presiding officer to the chair.

Mr. Porter having assumed the chair, on motion of Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, the Senate proceeded to the choice of a president by ballot, with the following result :

Whole number of votes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
Necessary to a choice,	.	.	.	.	.	.	7
Hon. John F. Cloutman had	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Hon. Natt Head had	.	.	.	.	.	.	8

and the Hon. Natt Head, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected,—

And the chair called upon the following senators to conduct the president to the chair—Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, and Mr. Burnap of No. 10.

The president having assumed the chair, addressed the Senate as follows :

Senators :

For the confidence you repose in me, and for the distinguished honor you have been pleased to confer upon me, accept my sincere and grateful acknowledgments.

I am not unmindful of the duties and the responsibility of this office, but I accept it believing I shall receive your generous coöperation and support.

Inexperienced as I am in this position, I feel that I shall often have occasion to claim your indulgence. But I will endeavor to discharge the duties to the utmost of my ability,

faithfully and impartially, ever keeping in view the wishes of the people and the interest of the state.

Again thanking you for the honor you have conferred upon me, I await your order of business.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6 moved the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That Tyler Westgate of Haverhill be elected clerk, Calvin Sanders assistant clerk, and John W. Babbitt doorkeeper of the Senate for the ensuing year.

Thereupon Tyler Westgate and Calvin Sanders, respectively clerk and assistant clerk elect, appeared and severally indicated their acceptance of the offices to which they had been elected, and were duly sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties thereof.

Thereupon John W. Babbitt appeared, signified his acceptance of the office of doorkeeper, and was duly sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the same.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 moved the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the House of Representatives be informed by the clerk that the Senate has assembled, is organized by the choice of Hon. Natt Head, president, Tyler Westgate, clerk, Calvin Sanders, assistant clerk, and John W. Babbitt, doorkeeper, and is ready to proceed with the business of the session.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3 moved the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the rules of the last session be the rules of the present session until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 moved the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the secretary of state be requested to furnish the Senate the official returns from the various senatorial districts of the state.

And, subsequently, the Hon. Ai B. Thompson, deputy secre-

tary of state, appeared, and presented the returns of votes for senators from the various senatorial districts, as returned to his office.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 moved the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the return of votes in the several senatorial districts be referred to a select committee of two, with instructions to examine and count the same, and report to the Senate whether any vacancies exist, and if so, in what senatorial districts.

And the president appointed Messrs. Buffum of No. 5, and Noyes of No. 8, as such committee.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 moved the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the clerk be directed to procure for the use of each member and officer of the Senate during the present session of the legislature, one copy each of the *Daily Monitor*, *Patriot*, and *People*, printed at Concord, and the Manchester *Daily Mirror*.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

I am directed to announce that the House of Representatives having assembled, have chosen Hon. Augustus A. Woolson speaker, Charles C. Danforth clerk, Alpheus W. Baker assistant clerk, Charles E. Cummings sergeant-at-arms, and are now ready to proceed with the business of the session.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate adjourned.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

I am directed to announce that the House has appointed Messrs. Hayes of Dover, Clark of Atkinson, Moulton of Laconia, Weed of Sandwich, Daniell of Franklin, Goodell of Antrim, Hitchcock of Newport, Bingham of Littleton, Brown of Whitefield, Rogers of Marlow, as a committee to wait on the governor and inform him that the legislature is now organized and ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make, and request your honorable body to join a portion of your members.

And the question being stated, Will the Senate concur? it was decided in the affirmative, and the Senate joined on its part Mr. Porter of No. 9 and Mr. Cloutman of No. 6.

The select committee, to whom was referred the votes for the senators in the several senatorial districts, made the following report :

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The select committee, to whom was referred the votes for the senators in the several senatorial districts, having attended to their duties, and having examined the returns made to the secretary of state, as well as the records in the office of said secretary, submit the following report.

Your committee find the state of the vote returned in the several districts as follows :

DISTRICT No. 1.

Whole number of votes returned	.	.	.	5,086
Necessary for a choice	.	.	.	2,544

Isaac Dow had	I
John W. Nowell had	II
Emmons B. Philbrick had	2,454
Marcellus Eldredge had	2,620
and is elected.	

DISTRICT No. 2.

Whole number of votes returned	7,270
Necessary for a choice	3,636
Marcellus Eldredge had	I
Emmons B. Philbrick had	5
Joshua C. Merrick had	25
Dana Sargent had	3,187
John W. Wheeler had	4,052
and is elected.	

DISTRICT No. 3.

Whole number of votes returned	4,108
Necessary for a choice	2,055
James F. Briggs had	I
Horace E. Stearns had	I
Ezra W. Bartlett had	I
Robert W. Miller had	I
John W. Severance had	I
Thomas Keag had	16
Lucien B. Clough had	1,823
Hiram K. Slayton had	2,264
and is elected.	

DISTRICT No. 4.

Whole number of votes returned	5,772
Necessary for a choice	2,887
George E. Todd had	I
Jesse Gault had	I
Edward P. Prescott had	15
James M. Jones had	2,538
Natt Head had	3,217
and is elected.	

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DISTRICT No. 5.

Whole number of votes returned	5,476
Necessary for a choice	2,739
Marcellus Eldredge had	1
Ira Dow had	1
D. H. Buffum had	1
John W. Nowell had	1
Hugh Montgomery had	1
Charles K. Chase had	37
William J. Walker had	2,314
David H. Buffum had	3,120

and is elected.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Whole number of votes returned,	8,895
Necessary for a choice,	4,448
Daniel E. Palmer had	7
Charles K. Chase had	8
Seth T. Hartford had	25
Woodbury L. Melcher had	3,996
John F. Cloutman had	4,859

and is elected.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Whole number of votes returned,	4,984
Necessary for a choice,	2,493
Thomas Keag had	13
John Hadlock had	2,081
Harrison Eaton had	2,890

and is elected.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Whole number of votes returned,	6,347
Necessary for a choice,	3,174
William O. Folsom had	1
George A. Trask had	1
John H. Goodall had	5
Hiram Rice had	8

Joseph W. Thorp	7
Herman T. Hale had	3,103
Oliver H. Noyes had	3,222
and is elected.	

DISTRICT No. 9.

Whole number of votes returned,	5,528
Necessary for a choice,	2,765
Silas Hardy had	1
Thomas L. Fowler had	47
Warren S. Barrows had	2,148
Royal H. Porter had	3,332
and is elected.	

DISTRICT No. 10.

Whole number of votes returned,	6,194
Necessary for a choice,	3,098
Royal H. Porter had	1
Benjamin M. Gilmore had	13
Orlando Powers had	2,690
James Burnap had	3,490
and is elected.	

DISTRICT No. 11.

Whole number of votes returned,	8,318
Necessary for a choice,	4,160
James M. Bishop had	3
Daniel E. Palmer had	2
Thomas L. Fowler had	1
Seth T. Hartford had	2
William L. Harris had	1
Jewett E. Hosley had	18
Erastus Dole had	1
Augustus H. Woolson had	2
Natt Head had	11
Joseph D. Weeks had	4,085
James W. Johnson had	4,192
and is elected.	

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DISTRICT NO. 12.

Whole number of votes returned,	9,685
Necessary for a choice,	4,843
George F. Morgan had	. . . . .	4
Henry O. Kent had	. . . . .	1
Edward F. Buckman had	. . . . .	56
Augustus H. Woolson had	. . . . .	3,886
William H. Cummings had	. . . . .	5,738

and is elected.

D. H. BUFFUM,
OLIVER H. NOYES,
Select Committee.

The report was accepted and adopted.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives are now ready to meet the Honorable Senate in convention, for the purpose of proceeding to the elections, agreeably to the provisions of the constitution.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate met the House of Representatives in convention.

(See House proceedings.)

Upon returning to the Senate chamber, on motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate took a recess till 12 o'clock.

On re-assembling the following motion was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives are now ready to meet the Honorable Senate in convention, for the purpose of proceeding to the elections, agreeably to the provisions of the constitution.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, the Senate and House met in convention.

(See House proceedings.)

On re-assembling, on motion of Mr. Johnson of No. 11, the Senate adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The reading of the journal having been commenced, on motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the rules were suspended and its further reading dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Eaton of No. 7, voted that when the Senate adjourns it adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The President appointed and announced the following standing committees :

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On the Judiciary—Messrs. Porter, Cummings, Buffum.

On State Institutions—Messrs. Buffum, Noyes, Porter.

On Railroads—Messrs. Johnson, Cloutman, Eaton.

On Incorporations—Messrs. Burnap, Eaton, Cummings.

On Banks—Messrs. Slayton, Cummings, Buffum.

On Towns—Messrs. Eaton, Cloutman, Slayton.

On Military Affairs—Messrs. Eldredge, Eaton, Johnson.

On Claims—Messrs. Cummings, Slayton, Porter.

On Finance—Messrs. Buffum, Johnson, Noyes.

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On Education—Messrs. Cloutman, Porter, Wheeler.

On Elections—Messrs. Slayton, Eldredge, Burnap.

On Roads, Bridges, and Canals—Messrs. Wheeler, Burnap, Eldredge.

On Agriculture and Manufactures—Messrs. Noyes, Wheeler, Johnson.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Burnap, Noyes.

On Library—Mr. Cloutman.

On State House and State House Yard—Mr. Wheeler.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk:

Mr. President:

The House of Representatives is now ready to meet the Honorable Senate in convention for the purpose of proceeding to the elections agreeably to the provisions of the constitution.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate met the House in convention.

(See House proceedings.)

On re-assembling, Mr. Slayton of No. 3 offered the following entitled joint resolution:

Joint resolution inviting the President to visit the state capital.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time, when on motion of the same senator the rules were suspended and the joint resolution read a third time and passed,

And the President appointed Messrs. Slayton, Cummings and Porter as Committee of Invitation.

A communication was received from Horace Fairbanks, President of the Bennington Battle Monument Association, inviting the Senate and officers to participate in the centennial celebration of the battle of Bennington, at Bennington, Vermont, on the 16th of August, 1877, which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the clerk procure for the use of the Senate during their session, three copies of the General Statutes, and three copies of all the Pamphlet Laws enacted since the enactment of the General Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the clerk procure fifteen copies of the People Hand Book, for the use of the officers and members of the Senate.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3 offered a joint resolution, entitled,

Joint resolution relating to the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the battle of Bennington, and the erection of a monument thereof,

Which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the message of His Excellency, the Governor, and report what disposition shall be made of the several subjects contained therein.

And the President appointed Messrs. Buffum, Cummings and Eaton as such committee.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed the following joint resolution, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

Joint resolution extending the hospitalities of the state to the President of the United States.

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The joint resolution was read a first time, and on motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the same was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled,

A joint resolution relating to the celebration of the battle of Bennington, and the erection of a monument thereof,

Having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the joint resolution entitled,

Joint resolution extending the hospitalities of the state to the President of the United States,

Was taken from the table, read a second time, and on motion of the same senator, the rules were suspended and the joint resolution read a third time and passed, and the Senate joined on their part Messrs. Slayton, Cummings and Porter.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have appointed the following-named gentlemen as members of the Joint Standing Committees, on the part of the House.

On Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Hill of Concord, Albin of Henniker.

On State Library—Messrs. Bachellor of Littleton, Hackett of Portsmouth, Parker of Merrimack.

On State House and State House Yard—Messrs. Brown of Whitefield, Smith of Concord, Durgin of Andover.

On motion of Mr. Eaton of No. 7, the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

I am directed to announce that the House of Representatives will meet the Honorable Senate in convention for the purpose of proceeding in the election of secretary of state, state treasurer, state printer, and commissary general, on Wednesday, June 13th, 1877, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Eldredge of No. 1 introduced a joint resolution entitled, Joint resolution authorizing the secretary of state to procure one copy of the People Hand Book for the governor and councillors, each,

Which was read a first and second time, when on motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, the rules were suspended, and the joint resolution read a third time and passed.

The following-entitled joint resolution was read a third time and passed :

Joint resolution relating to the celebration of the battle of Bennington and the erection of a monument thereof.

Mr. Burnap, for the Committee on Engrossed Bills, made the following report, which was accepted :

The Joint Standing Committee on Engrossed Bills, on the part of the Senate, report that they have appointed Mr. Abel Hutchins, of Concord, engrossing clerk for the session.

Mr. Abel Hutchins of Concord, appointed by the Joint Committee engrossing clerk, appeared, signified his acceptance of the office, and was duly sworn to the faithful discharge of his duties.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the following resolution was adopted :

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Resolved, That the Prisoners' Aid Society have permission to hold their annual meeting in the Senate chamber, on Wednesday evening, June 20th.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the Senate met the House of Representatives in convention.

(See House proceedings.)

On re-assembling, on motion of Mr. Eldredge, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be authorized to procure the usual number of copies of the Rules of the Senate and House, printed and bound in the usual manner, for the use of the Senate and its officers.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No 9, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the use of the Senate chamber be granted for this evening to the New Hampshire Historical Society, for the purpose of listening to an address by the Hon. Amos A. Parker of Fitzwilliam, upon the life and character of Lafayette, and especially relating to his visit to Concord in 1825.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2 was granted leave of absence to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 offered the following joint resolution, entitled,

Joint resolution of thanks for portraits,

Which was read a first and second time, when on motion of the same senator, the rules were suspended and the joint resolution read a third time and passed.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled an act in amendment of, and in addition to, an act in relation to the Somersworth Savings Bank, passed June session, 1874.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed a joint resolution with the following title, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

Joint resolution relating to Tax Commissioner.

The House concur with the Honorable Senate in the passage of the following-entitled joint resolution :

Joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of State to procure one copy of the People Hand Book for the Governor and each of the Councillors.

The following-entitled joint resolution was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary :

Joint resolution relating to Tax Commissioner.

On motion of Mr. Eaton of No. 7, the Senate adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, voted, That when the Senate adjourns this forenoon it adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock next Monday afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, JUNE 18, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8 was granted leave of absence to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, the Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, voted, That when the Senate adjourns this morning it adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2 gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled, "An act for the protection of fish in Lakin's Pond in Hooksett."

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act in amendment of section 7 of chapter 6 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1870, establishing a state normal school."

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "A joint resolution relating to tax commissioners," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject at the present time.

The report was accepted, and the resolution adopted.

(Mr. Porter of No. 9 in the chair.)

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, agreeably to previous notice, introduced a bill entitled,

"An act in amendment of and in addition to an act in relation to the Somersworth Savings Bank, passed June session 1874,"

Which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Banks.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President:

The House of Representatives have passed bills with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to establish a board of education in school district No. 8 in Rochester, and to enable it to raise money for the support of schools therein.

An act to establish a board of education in union school district No. 2 in Bristol.

The following entitled House bills were severally read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Education :

An act to establish a board of education in union school district No. 2 in Bristol.

An act to establish a board of education in school district No. 8 in Rochester, and to enable it to raise money for the support of schools therein.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, agreeably to previous notice, introduced a bill entitled "An act in amendment of section 7, of chapter 6, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1870, establishing a state normal school,"

Which was read a first and second time and referred to Committee on Education.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed a bill with the following title, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act in amendment of section 1, chapter 43, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the times and places of holding the probate courts in the county of Grafton.

The following-entitled House bill was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary :

An act in amendment of section 1, chapter 43, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the times and places of holding the probate courts in the county of Grafton.

Mr. Cloutman, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to establish a board of education in union school district No. 2, in Bristol," having

considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage,

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Wheeler, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to establish a board of education in school district No. 8, in Rochester, and to enable it to raise money for the support of schools therein," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the following-entitled joint resolution, postponed from the last session of the legislature, was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals:

Joint resolution revising chapter 129, Laws of 1869, in favor of a road from Dummer to Errol.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6 was granted leave of absence to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

By unanimous consent of the Senate Mr. Burnap of No. 10 introduced the following-entitled bill, which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Incorporations:

An act to amend the charter of the Windsor and Forest Line Railroad.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, agreeably to previous notice, introduced a bill entitled, "An act for the protection of fish in Lakin's Pond, in Hooksett,"

Which was read a first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 gave notice that on to-morrow, or some

subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled, "An act to establish annual conventions of the representatives of each of the several counties of the state."

Mr. Slayton, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled, "An act in amendment of and in addition to an act in relation to the Somersworth Savings Bank," passed June session 1874, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended the passage of the same.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at half-past ten o'clock.

The following-entitled bills were read a third time and passed :

An act to establish a board of education in union school district No. 2 in Bristol.

An act to establish a board of education in school district No. 8 in Rochester, and to enable it to raise money for the support of schools therein.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to amend the charter of the Windsor and Forest Line Railroad," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at half-past ten o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the rules were so far suspended that the bill was read a third time at the present time and passed.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolution with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act in amendment of chapter 124 of the General Statutes relating to homesteads.

An act to repeal chapter 2 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876 relating to the powers of towns.

An act in amendment of chapter 113, section 2, of the Laws of June session of 1876.

An act to extend the charter of the Pine River Lumber Company.

An act to incorporate the Farmington & Rochester Railroad.

Joint resolution in favor of the state library.

An act in relation to public cemeteries.

An act to repeal chapter 46 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876 entitled, "An act in amendment of section 2, chapter 193, of the General Statutes."

An act to incorporate the Nashua Bobbin and Shuttle Company.

An act to incorporate Washington Lodge, No. 4, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

An act to incorporate the Nashua Protestant Home for Aged Women.

An act to incorporate the Portsmouth Temperance Mutual Relief Association.

An act to incorporate the New Hampshire Conference Preachers' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolution were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on the Judiciary:

An act in relation to public cemeteries.

An act to repeal chapter 2 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to powers of towns.

An act in amendment of chapter 113, section 2, of the Laws of June session of 1876.

An act in amendment of chapter 124 of the General Statutes relating to homesteads.

An act to repeal chapter 46 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876 entitled, "An act in amendment of section 2, of chapter 193 of the General Statutes."

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act to extend the charter of the Pine River Lumber Company.

An act to incorporate the Nashua Bobbin and Shuttle Company.

An act to incorporate the New Hampshire Conference Preachers' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal church.

An act to incorporate the Portsmouth Temperance Mutual Relief Association.

An act to incorporate the Nashua Protestant Home for Aged Women.

An act to incorporate Washington Lodge, No. 4, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

To the Committee on Library :

Joint resolution in favor of state library.

To the Committee on Railroads :

An act to incorporate the Farmington & Rochester Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No 3, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The reading of the journal having been commenced, on motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10 the rules were so far suspended that the further reading of the journal was dispensed with.

Mr. Burnap, for Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Nashua

Bobbin and Shuttle Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment and recommended its passage.

Mr. Burnap, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Nashua Protestant Home for Aged Women," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment and recommended its passage.

And the bills were ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act for the protection of fish in Lakin's Pond, in Hooksett," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 1, of chapter, 43, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the times and places of holding the probate courts in the county of Grafton," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to public cemeteries," having considered the same, reported the same with the following amendment :

That section second of said chapter be amended by inserting after the word "voters," in the fourth line, the words "present and voting thereon."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the

New Hampshire Conference Preachers' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal church," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to repeal chapter 46, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, entitled, 'An act in amendment of section 10, of chapter 193, of the General Statutes,'" having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 113, section 2, of Laws of June session of 1876," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled "An act to incorporate Washington Lodge, No. 4, Independent Order of Odd Fellows," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Portsmouth Temperance Mutual Relief Association," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 124 of the General Statutes relating to homesteads," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 7, of chapter 6, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1870, establishing a State Normal School," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to extend the charter of the Pine River Lumber Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the rules were so far suspended that all bills and joint resolutions in order for a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock, were made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The following-entitled House bills were severally read a third time and passed :

An act to extend the charter of the Pine River Lumber Company.

An act in amendment of section 7, of chapter 6, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1870, establishing a state normal school.

An act in amendment of chapter 113, section 2, of Laws of June session of 1876.

An act to incorporate the Portsmouth Temperance Mutual Relief Association.

An act to incorporate Washington Lodge, No. 4, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

An act in amendment of, and in addition to, an act in relation to the Somersworth Savings Bank, passed June session, 1874.

An act in amendment of chapter 124 of the General Statutes, relating to homesteads.

An act to repeal chapter 46 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, entitled, "An act in amendment of section 2, of chapter 193, of the General Statutes."

An act in amendment of section 1, chapter 43, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the times and places of holding probate courts in Grafton county.

An act to incorporate the New Hampshire Conference Preachers' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

An act in relation to public cemeteries.

An act to incorporate the Nashua Bobbin and Shuttle Company.

An act to incorporate the Nashua Protestant Home for Aged Women.

An act for the protection of fish in Lakin's Pond in Hooksett.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Eldredge of No. 1 was excused from attendance this afternoon.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed a bill with the following title, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dartmouth Savings Bank at Hanover.

The following-entitled House bill was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Incorporations :

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dartmouth Savings Bank at Hanover.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives having received from His Excellency the Governor the accompanying communication from the President of the United States, have directed that the same be spread at length upon the journal and a copy sent to the Honorable Senate.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, }
WASHINGTON, June 19, 1877. }

SIR :—I am requested by the President to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 14th inst., and also of a communication from a committee of the legislature of New Hampshire, enclosing a copy of a joint resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened, extending to the President the hospitalities of the state, and inviting him to visit the legislature at the capital, if consistent with his other engagements while sojourning in New England.

The President desires me to express his thanks to the legislature for their very kind invitation, which it has given him much gratification to receive, and also to your Excellency and the Council for your agreeable concurrence therein. He regrets that it will not be in his power to avail himself of the courtesies now tendered to him, as it is impossible for him to extend his absence from the seat of government beyond the time included in engagements already made.

The President has, however, in contemplation a visit to New England later in the summer, at which time, I am happy to

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state to your Excellency, it will give him great pleasure to include New Hampshire in the arrangement of his journey.

I am, your Excellency, with great respect,
Your obedient servant,

WM. M. EVARTS.

To the Honorable B. F. PRESCOTT, *Governor of New Hampshire.*

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the communication was spread at length upon the Journal of the Senate, and referred to the joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, inviting the President to visit the state capital.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate took a recess of fifteen minutes.

On re-assembling a communication was received from Amos Hadley, recording secretary of the New Hampshire Historical Society, entitled, "A resolution in favor of early legislation to comply with the request of Congress to send statues to the Hall of Representatives at Washington," which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate met the House of Representatives, as a committee of the whole, to hear remarks by C. C. Coffin, relating to the battle of Bennington.

On re-assembling the following resolution, introduced by Mr. Cummings of No. 12, was adopted:

Resolved, That hereafter, when the Senate adjourns in the afternoon, it will adjourn to meet at 10 o'clock the succeeding forenoon, until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2 was excused from to-morrow till Thursday of next week.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk.

Mr. President:

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint

resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to authorize the Monadnock Railroad Company to subscribe to the capital stock of the Peterborough and Hillsborough Company.

An act to increase the capital stock of the Cochecho Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Uncanoonuck Road Company.

An act to incorporate the Carroll Steamboat Company.

An act to incorporate the Chester and Derry Telegraph Company.

An act to incorporate the Saunders Shoe Machinery Company.

An act in further amendment of chapter 15 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the probate courts for the county of Coos.

An act to incorporate the Concord Masonic Association.

An act to establish a Board of Education in school district No. 13, in the town of Gilford.

An act to apportion the state tax between the towns of Landaff and Easton.

Joint resolution providing for the contingent expenses of the governor.

An act to disannex the taxable property of Thaddeus B. Crossett and Julius R. Crossett, and all the real estate belonging to John Currier, lying in Acworth, from school district No. 13, in Acworth, and annex to school district No. 11, in said town, for school purposes.

An act in relation to the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

The following-entitled House bills were read a first and second time and referred :

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act to incorporate the Carroll Steamboat Company.

An act to incorporate the Uncanoonuck Road Company.

An act to establish the Chester and Derry Telegraph Company.

An act to incorporate the Saunders Shoe Machinery Company.

An act to incorporate the Concord Masonic Association.

To the Committee on Claims :

Joint resolution providing for the contingent expenses of the governor.

To the Committee on the Judiciary :

An act in further amendment of chapter 15 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the probate courts for the county of Coos.

An act to apportion the state tax between the towns of Landaff and Easton.

To the Committee on Railroads :

An act in relation to the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

An act to authorize the Monadnock Railroad Company to subscribe to the capital stock of the Peterborough and Hillsborough Railroad Company.

To the Committee on Education :

An act to disannex the taxable property of Thaddeus B. Crosset and Julius R. Crossett, and the real estate belonging to John Currier of Langdon, lying in Acworth, from school district No. 13, in Acworth, and annex the same to school district No. 11 in said town, for school purposes.

An act to establish a Board of Education in school district No. 13, in the town of Gilford.

To the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures :

An act to increase the capital stock of the Cocheco Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would introduce a bill entitled, "An act in relation to taxes paid by savings banks to the United States."

On motion of Mr. Eaton of No. 7, the Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The reading of the journal having been commenced, on motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, the rules were so far suspended that a further reading of the journal was dispensed with.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Dartmouth Savings Bank at Hanover," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Uncanonuck Road Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 10, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution for the contingent expenses of the governor," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Chester and Derry Telegraph Company," having considered the

same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Saunders Shoe Machinery Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Concord Masonic Association," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to apportion the state tax between the towns of Landaff and Easton," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in further amendment of chapter 15 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the probate courts for the county of Coos," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Burnap, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Carroll

Steamboat Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to repeal chapter 2 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to the powers of towns," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the rules were so far suspended that all bills and joint resolutions in order for a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock, be in order for a third reading at the present time.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolution were severally read a third time and passed :

An act to apportion the state tax between the towns of Landaff and Easton.

An act to incorporate the Carroll Steamboat Company.

An act in further amendment of chapter 15 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the probate courts in the county of Coos.

An act to incorporate the Uncanoonuck Road Company.

An act to incorporate the Saunders Shoe Machinery Company.

An act to incorporate the Chester and Derry Telegraph Company.

An act to incorporate the Concord Masonic Association.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dartmouth Savings Bank at Hanover.

Joint resolution providing for the contingent expenses of the governor.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, agreeably to previous notice, introduced the following bill, entitled, "An act in relation to taxes paid by savings banks to the United States," which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, voted, That when the Senate adjourns this forenoon it adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of the same senator, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to enable the town of Mont Vernon to aid McCollom Institute.

An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth, providing for a Board of Instruction.

An act to incorporate Glen Lodge, No. 54, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Gorham.

An act to sever the homestead farm of John B. Lord from school district No. 1, in Brookfield, and annex the same to school district No. 12, in Wakefield, for schooling.

An act in relation to challenges in capital cases.

An act in amendment of chapter 66, General Statutes, relating to repairing of highways.

An act to provide for the protection and security of public libraries.

An act prohibiting the allowing of coal tar refuse or deposits from gas works to flow in or being deposited in the waters of the Squamscot river.

An act in addition to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal church of New Hampshire."

An act to sever certain territory from the town of Hampstead and annex the same to the town of Danville.

Joint resolution relating to the relief map of the state.

Joint resolution in favor of the repeal of the national bankrupt law.

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolutions were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on the Judiciary :

An act in amendment of chapter 66, General Statutes, relating to the repairing of highways.

Joint resolution in favor of the repeal of the national bankrupt law.

An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth, providing for a Board of Instruction.

An act to provide for the protection and security of public libraries.

An act prohibiting the allowing of coal tar refuse or deposits from gas works to flow in or being deposited in the waters of the Squamscot River.

An act in relation to challenges in capital cases.

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act to incorporate Glen Lodge, No. 54, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Gorham.

An act in addition to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in New Hampshire.

To the Committee on Towns :

An act to enable the town of Mont Vernon to aid McCollom Institute.

An act to sever certain territory from the town of Hampstead and annex the same to the town of Danville.

To the Committee on Education :

An act to sever the homestead farm of John B. Lord from school district No. 1, in Brookfield, and annex the same to school district No. 12, in Wakefield, for schooling.

Joint resolution relating to the relief map of the state.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to authorize the Monadnock Railroad Company to subscribe to the capital stock of the Peterborough and Hillsborough Railroad Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred the Senate bill entitled, "An act in relation to taxes paid by savings banks to the United States," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to disannex the taxable property of Thaddeus B. Crossett and all the real estate belonging to John Currier of Langdon, lying in Acworth,

from school district No. 13, in Acworth, and annex to school district number 11, in said town, for school purposes," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cloutman, for the Committee on State Library, to whom was referred the joint resolution in favor of the state library, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to establish a Board of Education in school district No. 13, in the town of Gilford," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cloutman, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Farmington and Rochester Railroad," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the rules were so far suspended that the bill was read a third time at the present time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns this afternoon it adjourn to meet on Monday afternoon next at 4 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, the Senate adjourned.

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MONDAY, JUNE 25, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would introduce a bill entitled :

An act in amendment of section 2 of chapter 54 of the Pamphlet Laws passed June session, 1873, in relation to public parks and cemeteries.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolution were severally read a third time and passed :

An act in relation to taxes paid by savings banks to the United States.

An act to disannex the taxable property of Thaddeus B. Crossett and Julius R. Crossett, and all the real estate belonging to John Currier of Langdon, lying in Acworth, from school district No. 13, in Acworth, and annex to school district No. 11, in said town, for school purposes.

Joint resolution in favor of the state library.

An act to establish a Board of Education in school district No. 13, in the town of Gilford.

An act to authorize the Monadnock Railroad Company to subscribe to the capital stock of the Peterborough and Hillsborough Railroad Company.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and a joint resolution with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to extend the charter of the Carroll County Five Cents Savings Bank of Wolfeborough.

An act in amendment of section 22 of chapter 152, Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to the salaries of the justice and clerk of the Police Court of Manchester.

Joint resolution relating to the claim of Cyrus K. Drake.

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolution were severally read a first and second time and referred :

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

An act in amendment of section 22 of chapter 152 of Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to salaries of the justice and clerk of the Police Court of Manchester.

To the Committee on Claims :

Joint resolution relating to the claim of Cyrus K. Drake.

To the Committee on Banks :

An act to extend the charter of the Carroll County Five Cents Savings Bank of Wolfeborough.

The following message from the House of Representatives and bill entitled, "An act in relation to public parks and cemeteries," was, on motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, taken from the table :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives return to the Honorable Senate "An act entitled an act in relation to public cemeteries," sent down to the House for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the Senate, said amendment not being germane to the subject.

On motion of the same senator the Senate receded from their amendment to said bill.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, agreeably to previous notice, introduced the following-entitled bill, which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

An act in amendment of section 2 of chapter 54 of the Pamphlet Laws, passed June session, 1873, in relation to public parks and cemeteries.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, voted, That when the Senate adjourns this forenoon it adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, the Senate took a recess till 3 o'clock.

On re-assembling, Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to extend the charter of the Carroll County Five Cents Savings Bank of Wolfeborough," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in addition to the act entitled 'An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal church in New Hampshire,'" having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate Glen Lodge, No. 54, Independent Order of Odd Fellows," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Towns, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to enable the town of Mont Vernon to aid McCollom Institute," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to increase the capital stock of the Cochecho Manufacturing Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 2 of chapter 54 of the Pamphlet Laws passed June session, 1873, in relation to public parks and cemeteries," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "A joint resolution relating to the relief map of the state," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of the repeal of the national bankrupt law," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 66 of the General Statutes relating to repairing of highways," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to sever the homestead farm of John B. Lord from school district No. 1, in Brookfield, and annex the same to school district No. 12, in Wakefield, for schooling," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to provide for the protection and security of public libraries," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act prohibiting the allowing of coal tar, refuse, or deposits from gas works to flow in, or being deposited in, the waters of the Squamscot river," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 gave notice that he would to-morrow, or on some subsequent day, introduce a bill relating to the Board of Education in Keene.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns this afternoon it adjourn to meet at half-past ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

On motion of Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Towns, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to sever certain territory from the town of Hampstead and annex the same to the town of Danville," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 22 of chapter 152, Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to salaries of the justice and clerk of the Police Court of Manchester," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate upon the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolutions were severally read a third time and passed :

An act in amendment of section 2 of chapter 54 of the Pamphlet Laws passed at June session, 1873, in relation to public parks and cemeteries.

An act to increase the capital stock of the Cocheco Manufacturing Company.

Joint resolution in favor of the repeal of the national bankrupt law.

Joint resolution relating to the relief map of the state.

An act prohibiting the allowing of coal tar, refuse, or deposits from gas works to flow in, or being deposited in, the waters of the Squamscot river.

An act to enable the town of Mont Vernon to aid McCollom Institute.

An act in amendment of chapter 66, General Statutes, relating to repairing of highways.

An act to incorporate Glen Lodge, No. 54, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Gorham.

An act in addition to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal church in New Hampshire."

An act to extend the charter of the Carroll County Five Cents Savings Bank of Wolfeborough.

An act to sever the homestead farm of John B. Lord from school district No. 1 in Brookfield, and annex the same to school district No. 12 in Wakefield, for schooling.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed a bill with the following title, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act providing for the repairs of the roads in Green's and Martin's grants.

The following-entitled House bill was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary :

An act providing for the repairs of the roads in Green's and Martin's grants.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, agreeably to previous notice, introduced

the following-entitled bill, which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Education :

An act relating to the Board of Education in Keene.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to challenges in capital cases," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the following-entitled bill was laid on the table.

An act to provide for the protection of public libraries.

Mr. Cummings, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution relating to claims of Cyrus K. Drake," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act relating to the Board of Education in Keene," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolution were severally read a third time and passed :

An act to sever certain territory from the town of Hampstead and annex the same to the town of Danville.

An act in relation to challenges in capital cases.

Joint resolution relating to the claim of Cyrus K. Drake.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The following-entitled bill was read a third time and passed :

An act relating to the Board of Education in the city of Keene.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the following-entitled bill was taken from the table, read a third time and passed :

An act to provide for the protection and security of public libraries.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to incorporate Columbian Lodge, No. 53, of Free Masons, of Walpole.

An act to incorporate certain dentists by the name of the New Hampshire Dental Society.

An act to incorporate the Rochester Aqueduct and Water Company.

An act in amendment of chapter 233 of the General Statutes in relation to hearings before town officers.

An act to incorporate the Magdalena River Railroad.

An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company.

Joint resolution in favor of deaf, dumb, blind and feeble-minded persons.

Joint resolution in favor of James W. Colby

Joint resolution in favor of the Prisoners' Aid Society.

Joint resolution to appropriate money for the increase of the state prison library.

Joint resolution to appropriate money for the salary of the chaplain and instructor of the state prison.

Joint resolution relating to the adjutant-general's department.

The House of Representatives have concurred with the Honorable Senate in the passage of the following Senate bill, entitled,

An act for the protection of fish in Lakin's pond in Hooksett.

The following-entitled House bills were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act to incorporate certain dentists by the name of the New Hampshire Dental Society.

An act to incorporate Columbian Lodge, No. 53, of Free Masons, of Walpole.

An act to incorporate the Rochester Aqueduct and Water Company.

An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company.

To the Committee on the Judiciary :

Joint resolution in favor of indigent blind persons, deaf mutes and feeble-minded children.

Joint resolution to appropriate money for the state prison library.

Joint resolution to appropriate money for the salary of the chaplain and instructor of the state prison.

Joint resolution in favor of the Prisoners' Aid Society.

To the Committee on Claims :

Joint resolution in favor of James W. Colby.

To the Committee on Military Affairs :

Joint resolution relating to the adjutant-general's department.

To the Committee on Railroads :

An act to incorporate the Magdalena River Railroad.

To the Committee on Education :

An act in amendment of chapter 233 of the General Statutes in relation to hearings before town officers.

On motion of Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed a bill with the following title, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to fix the time when the constitutional amendments, adopted in March last, shall take effect, and also providing for compiling the Statutes of the state.

The following-entitled House bill was read a first and second time, and on motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the bill was referred to a special committee :

An act to fix the time when the constitutional amendments, adopted in March last, shall take effect, and also providing for compiling the Statutes of the state.

And the president appointed Messrs. Slayton of No. 3, Cummings of No. 12, and Buffum of No. 5, as such committee.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company," having consid-

ered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 233 of the General Statutes in relation to hearings before town officers," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Magdalena River Railroad," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate certain dentists by the name of the New Hampshire Dental Society," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate Columbian Lodge, No. 53, of Free Masons, of Walpole," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Incorporations to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Rochester Aqueduct and Water Company," having

considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the rules were so far suspended that all bills in order for a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, were made in order for a third reading at the present time.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the rules were so far suspended that the following-entitled bills were severally read a third time by their titles and passed :

An act to incorporate the Rochester Aqueduct and Water Company.

An act to incorporate Columbian Lodge, No. 53, of Free Masons, of Walpole.

An act to incorporate certain dentists by the name of the New Hampshire Dental Society.

An act to incorporate the Magdalena River Railroad.

An act in amendment of chapter 233 of the General Statutes in relation to hearings before town officers.

An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY, JUNE 29, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The reading of the journal having been commenced, on motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10 the rules were so far suspended that its further reading was dispensed with.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 was excused from attendance to-day.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of James W. Colby of Dunbarton," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk:

Mr. President:

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate:

An act to amend the charter of the Kearsarge Summit Road Company.

An act in relation to the support of indigent idiotic and feeble-minded adult children.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Indigent Women.

An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to establish a new proportion for the assessment of public taxes," approved July 20, 1876.

An act to suppress exhibitions of the fighting of birds, dogs, or other animals.

An act for the better preservation of the records of the doings of county delegations.

An act providing for funding the indebtedness of the Peterborough Railroad.

An act in relation to the New Hampshire Asylum for the Insane.

An act in relation to the Monadnock Railroad Company.

Joint resolution for the relief of the City Savings Bank in Manchester.

Joint resolution in favor of the Rockingham Ten Cents Savings Bank.

An act to regulate freight charges on railroads.

An act to extend the charter of the Sullivan Savings Institution.

An act to authorize the state treasurer to issue registered bonds.

An act to provide for the employment of prisoners in county jails.

An act to extend the time for completing the Manchester and Claremont Railroad.

An act in regard to the protection of fish, and in amendment of chapter 1 of the Laws of 1868, chapter 21 of the Laws of 1870, and chapter 55 of the Laws of 1872.

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolutions were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on the Judiciary :

An act to suppress exhibitions of the fighting of birds, dogs or other animals.

An act for the better preservation of the records of the doings of county delegations.

An act in relation to the support of indigent idiotic and feeble-minded adult children.

An act in amendment of an act entitled, "An act to establish a new proportion for the assessment of public taxes," approved July 20, 1876.

To the Committee on Banks :

Joint resolution for the relief of the City Savings Bank in Manchester.

An act to extend the charter of the Sullivan Savings Institution.

Joint resolution in favor of the Rockingham Ten Cents Savings Bank.

To the Committee on Finance :

An act to authorize the state treasurer to issue registered bonds.

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Indigent Women.

To the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures :

An act in regard to the protection of fish, and in amendment of chapter 1 of the Laws of 1868, chapter 21 of the Laws of 1870, and chapter 55 of the Laws of 1872.

To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals :

An act to amend the charter of the Kearsage Summit Road Company.

To the Committee on Railroads :

An act to regulate freight charges on railroads :

An act to extend the time for completing the Manchester and Claremont Railroad.

An act in relation to the Monadnock Railroad Company.

An act providing for funding the indebtedness of the Peterborough Railroad.

To the Committee on State Institutions :

An act to provide for the employment of prisoners in county jails.

An act in relation to the New Hampshire Asylum for the Insane.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to suppress exhibitions of fighting of birds, dogs or other animals," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to amend the charter of the Kearsarge Summit Road Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act for the better preservation of the record of the doings of county delegations," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the trustees of the Home for Indigent Women," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, for the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the joint resolution relating to the adjutant-general's department, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act providing for funding the indebtedness of the Peterborough railroad," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the several bills and joint resolution were ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the rules were so far suspended that the following-entitled bills and joint resolutions were severally read a third time and passed :

Joint resolution in favor of James W. Colby of Dunbarton.

An act to suppress exhibitions of the fighting of birds, dogs, or other animals.

Joint resolution relating to the adjutant-general's department.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Indigent Women.

An act for the better preservation of the records of the doings of county delegations.

An act to amend the charter of the Kearsarge Summit Road Company.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, the Senate adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock on Monday next.

MONDAY, JULY 2, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution to appropriate money for the salary of the chaplain and instructor of the state prison," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to authorize the state treasurer to issue registered bonds," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of the Prisoners' Aid Society," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution to appropriate money for the increase of the state prison

library," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of indigent blind persons, deaf mutes, and feeble-minded children," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the several foregoing bills and joint resolutions were ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3 offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns this afternoon it adjourn to meet next Thursday at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, JULY 5, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The following-entitled bill and joint resolutions were severally read a third time and passed :

Joint resolution in favor of indigent deaf, dumb, blind and feeble-minded persons.

Joint resolution in favor of the Prisoners' Aid Society.

Joint resolution to appropriate money for the increase of the state prison library.

An act to authorize the state treasurer to issue registered bonds.

Joint resolution to appropriate money for the salary of the chaplain and instructor of the state prison.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to incorporate the Union Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 11, Royal Arch Masons.

An act to incorporate the Excelsior Paper Stock Company.

An act to incorporate the Sunapee Lake Steamboat Company.

An act to incorporate the Cross Pulp Company.

An act to regulate the publication of the reports of the Supreme Court.

An act to amend section 7, of chapter 235, of the General Statutes, in relation to police officers.

An act to facilitate the collection of taxes upon wood, bark, timber, logs and lumber.

An act providing for the trial of small causes without the intervention of a jury.

An act to amend chapter 25 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to the present judiciary system.

An act in amendment of chapter 21, passed at the June session 1876, extending the jurisdiction of police courts in civil causes.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the New Hampshire Missionary Society.

An act in amendment of chapter 259, General Statutes, relating to offenses against public justice.

An act in amendment of section 12, of chapter 75, of the General Statutes, in regard to the support of county paupers.

An act to incorporate the Upper Coos and Essex Agricultural Society.

An act to incorporate the Union Church Association in Shelburne.

An act for the relief of the town of Allenstown.

An act to increase the efficiency and reduce the expenses of the state militia.

An act relating to the holding of the trial terms of the supreme court for Hillsborough county.

An act providing for refunding the outstanding liabilities and stock of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

An act in amendment of section 12, chapter 44, General Statutes, relative to the publication of city ordinances.

An act in relation to the rate of board at the State Reform School.

An act to provide for an assessment and collection of a state tax.

An act explanatory of an act passed June session, 1876, entitled, "An act to remove the disabilities of married women."

An act in amendment of chapter 230, General Statutes, relative to the liability of persons summoned as trustees.

Joint resolution authorizing the state treasurer to pay the town of Jaffrey its proportion of the literary fund for 1876.

Joint resolution in favor of a highway in the towns of Errol and Wentworth Location.

Joint resolution in favor of the main travelled road through the town of Randolph.

Joint resolution that the sum of two hundred dollars be appropriated for repairing roads in Dixville, in Coos county.

Joint resolution in relation to the claim of Warren M. Kelley for arrears of pay.

An act in amendment of chapter 201 of the General Statutes, relating to actions.

An act in amendment of chapter 186 of the General Statutes, relating to trustees of estates.

An act concerning the observance of Decoration Day as a legal holiday.

An act in regard to a temporary loan.

Joint resolution for appropriations through the White Mountains.

Joint resolution in favor of Wm. H. Cummings, S. G. Griffin, J. W. Parsons and Charles H. Bartlett.

The following-entitled house bills and joint resolutions were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

An act relating to the holding of the trial terms of the Supreme Court for Hillsborough county.

An act in amendment of chapter 186 of the General Statutes, relating to trustees of estates.

An act in amendment of chapter 21, passed at the June session 1876, extending the jurisdiction of the police courts in civil causes.

An act providing for the trial of small causes without the intervention of a jury.

An act providing for refunding the outstanding liabilities and stock of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

An act to regulate the publication of the Reports of the Supreme Court.

An act to amend section 7 of chapter 235 of the General Statutes, in relation to police officers.

An act to facilitate the collection of taxes upon wood, bark, timber, logs and lumber.

An act explanatory of an act passed June session, 1876, entitled, "An act to remove the disabilities of married women."

An act in amendment of chapter 201 of the General Statutes, relating to actions.

An act in amendment of section 12 of chapter 75 of the General Statutes, in regard to the support of county paupers.

An act concerning the observance of Decoration Day as a legal holiday.

An act in amendment of section 12, chapter 44, General Statutes, relative to the publication of city ordinances.

An act in amendment of chapter 230, General Statutes, relative to the liability of persons summoned as trustees.

An act in amendment of chapter 259, General Statutes, relating to offenses against public justice.

An act to amend chapter 25 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to the present judiciary system.

Joint resolution authorizing the state treasurer to pay the town of Jaffrey its proportion of the literary fund for 1876.

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act to incorporate the Union Church Association in Shelburne.

An act to incorporate the Excelsior Paper Stock Company.

An act to incorporate the Union Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Sunapee Lake Steamboat Company.

An act to incorporate the Cross Pulp Company.

An act to incorporate Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 15, Royal Arch Masons.

An act to incorporate the Upper Coos and Essex Agricultural Society.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the New Hampshire Missionary Society.

To the Committee on Claims :

Joint resolution in favor of Wm. H. Cummings, S. G. Griffin, J. W. Parsons and Charles H. Bartlett.

Joint resolution in relation to the claim of Warren M. Kelly for arrears of pay.

An act for the relief of the town of Allenstown.

To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals :

Joint resolution that the sum of two hundred dollars be appropriated for repairing roads in Dixville in Coos county.

Joint resolution in favor of a highway in the towns of Erroll and Wentworth's Location.

Joint resolution in favor of the main traveled road through the town of Randolph.

Joint resolution for appropriations through the White Mountain Notch.

To the Committee on Finance :

An act in regard to a temporary loan.

An act to provide for an assessment and collection of a state tax.

To the Committee on State Institutions :

An act in relation to the rate of board at the state reform school.

To the Committee on Military affairs :

An act to increase the efficiency and reduce the expenses of the state militia.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Johnson of No. 11 asked the unanimous consent of the Senate that the rules be so far suspended that he might at this time introduce a bill. Objection was made, and the question being stated, his request was denied.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to increase the revenues of the State of New Hampshire.

An act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals and birds.

The following-entitled House bills were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures :

An act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals and birds.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

An act to increase the revenues of the State of New Hampshire.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 259 of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against public justice," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to annul chapter 25, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to the present judiciary system," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 12, chapter 75, of the General Statutes, in regard to the support of county paupers," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Cross Paper Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the New Hampshire Missionary Society," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth, providing for a Board of Instruction," having considered the same, reported the same with the following amendment: Strike out of section 1 the words by "lot drawn by the mayor," and insert the words, "Board of Aldermen."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Upper Coos and Essex Agricultural Society," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 11, Royal Arch Masons," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

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And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act concerning the observance of Decoration Day as a legal holiday," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of an act entitled 'An act to establish a new proportion for the assessment of public taxes,'" approved July 20, 1876, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator for the same committee, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution authorizing the state treasurer to assign and distribute to the town of Jaffrey its proportion of the literary fund," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, the Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY, JULY 6, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolution were severally read a third time and passed :

Joint resolution authorizing the state treasurer to pay the town of Jaffrey its proportion of the literary fund for 1876.

An act in amendment of an act entitled, "An act to establish a new proportion for the assessment of public taxes," approved July 20, 1876.

An act concerning the observance of Decoration Day as a legal holiday.

An act to incorporate Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 11, Royal Arch Masons.

An act to incorporate the Upper Coos and Essex Agricultural Society.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the New Hampshire Missionary Society.

An act to incorporate the Cross Pulp Company.

An act to amend chapter 25 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to the present judiciary system.

An act in amendment of chapter 259, General Statutes, relating to offenses against public justice.

An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth, providing for a board of instruction.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 173, of the General Statutes, in regard to the publication of probate notices.

An act relating to partition fences.

The House of Representatives have concurred with the Honorable Senate in the passage of the following Senate bills sent down for concurrence :

An act in amendment of section 2, chapter 54, Pamphlet Laws, June 1873, in relation to public parks and cemeteries.

An act in relation to taxes paid by savings banks to the United States.

The following-entitled House bills were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

An act in relation to partition fences.

An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 173, of the General Statutes, in regard to the publication of probate notices.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred the joint resolution for appropriations through the White Mountain Notch, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to extend the charter of Sullivan Savings Institution," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 230, General Statutes, relative to the liability of persons summoned as trustees," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act providing for refunding the outstanding liabilities and stock of the Portland and Ogdensburg Rail-

road Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act providing for the trial of small causes without the intervention of a jury," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred the joint resolution in favor of the road in the towns of Errol and Wentworth Location, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to amend section 7 of chapter 235 of the General Statutes, in relation to police officers," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Sunapee Lake Steamboat Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Union Church Association in Shelburne," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bills were ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Union Manufacturing Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "An act for the relief of the City Savings Bank in Manchester," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred the joint resolution in favor of the main traveled road through the town of Randolph, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred the joint resolution relating to the road in Dixville Notch, in the town of Dixville, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in regard to the protection of fish, and in amendment of chapter 1 of the Laws of 1868, chapter 21 of the Laws of 1870, and chapter 55 of the Laws of 1872," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate upon the subject.
The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred the joint resolution in favor of a road from Dummer to Errol, having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the special committee, to whom was referred the House bill, No. 1, entitled, "An act to fix the time when the constitutional amendments shall take effect, and also for compiling the statutes," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 offered the following amendment to the bill :

Immediately following the words "August next," in the 25th line of the printed House bill, No. 1, in a new draft, insert the following words: "The amendment prohibiting the general court from authorizing towns and cities to loan or give their money or credit to corporations, as covered by the eighth question thus submitted, shall take effect on the first day of June, 1878."

And the question being stated, Shall the amendment be adopted? Mr. Porter of No. 9 demanded the yeas and nays.

And on the roll being called, the following senators answered in the affirmative :

Messrs. Buffum and Porter.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Eldredge, Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Cloutman, Eaton, Noyes, Burnap, Cummings.

And two senators having answered in the affirmative and nine in the negative, the amendment was not adopted.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 asked the unanimous consent of the Senate that the rules be so far suspended that he might to-day, or some subsequent day, introduce a bill.

Objection was made, and upon this question the same senator demanded the yeas and nays.

And on the roll being called the following senators answered in the affirmative :

Eldredge, Buffum, Cloutman, Porter, Cummings.

And the following in the negative :

Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Eaton, Noyes, Burnap.

So the Senate refused to grant the request of the senator, Mr. Porter.

On motion of Mr. Eaton of No. 7, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolutions were severally read a third time and passed :

An act to extend the charter of the Sullivan Savings Institution.

Joint resolution for appropriations through the White Mountain Notch.

An act in amendment of chapter 230, General Statutes, relative to the liability of persons summoned as trustees.

An act providing for refunding the outstanding liabilities of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

Joint resolution in favor of a highway in the towns of Errol and Wentworth's Location.

An act providing for the trial of small causes without the intervention of a jury.

An act to amend section 7 of chapter 235 of the General Statutes, in relation to police officers.

An act to incorporate the Sunapee Lake Steamboat Company.

An act to incorporate the Union Church Association in Shelburne.

An act to incorporate the Union Manufacturing Company.

Joint resolution for the relief of the City Savings Bank in Manchester.

An act to fix the time when the constitutional amendments, adopted in March last, shall take effect, and also providing for the compiling the statutes of the state.

Joint resolution in favor of the roads in the town of Dixville, Coos county.

Joint resolution in favor of the main traveled road through the town of Randolph.

Mr. Cummings, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act explanatory of an act passed June session, 1876, entitled, 'An act to remove the disabilities of married women,'" having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 21, passed at the June session, 1876, extending the jurisdiction of police courts in civil causes," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 186 of the General Statutes, relating to trustees of estates," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on State Institutions, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to the New Hampshire Asylum for the Insane," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to the rate of board at the state reform school," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the joint resolution in relation to the claim of Warren M. Kelly for arrears of pay, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to the Monadnock Railroad Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the joint resolution in favor of Wm. H. Cummings, S. G. Griffin, J. W. Parsons and Chas. H. Bartlett, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in regard to a temporary loan," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to provide for an assessment and collection of a state tax," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the rules were so far suspended that all bills and joint resolutions in order for a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock were made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolutions were severally read a third time and passed:

An act to provide for an assessment and collection of a state tax.

An act in regard to a temporary loan.

Joint resolution in favor of Wm. H. Cummings, S. G. Griffin, J. W. Parsons and Charles H. Bartlett.

An act in amendment of chapter 186 of the General Statutes relating to trustees of estates.

An act in relation to the New Hampshire Asylum for the Insane.

An act in relation to the rate of board at the state reform school.

Joint resolution in relation to the claim of Warren M. Kelly for arrears of pay.

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An act in amendment of chapter 21, passed at the June session, 1876, extending the jurisdiction of police courts in civil causes.

An act explanatory of an act passed June session, 1876, entitled, "An act to remove the disabilities of married women."

An act in relation to the Monadnock Railroad Company.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals and birds," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate upon the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, for the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to increase the efficiency and reduce the expense of the state militia," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the report of the committee and following joint resolution were laid on the table :

Joint resolution for the relief of the Rockingham Ten Cents Savings Bank.

On motion of Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, voted, That when the Senate adjourns this afternoon it adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate adjourned.

SATURDAY, JULY 7, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The reading of the journal having been commenced, on motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the rules were so far suspended that its further reading was dispensed with.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed a bill with the following title, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act providing for the erection of a new state prison.

The following-entitled House bill was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on State Institutions :

An act providing for the erection of a new state prison.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to facilitate the collection of taxes upon wood, bark, timber, logs and lumber," having considered the same, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to partition fences," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate at this time.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 173, of the General Statutes in regard to the publication of probate notices," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Excelsior Paper Stock Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the message and resolution from the House of Representatives, entitled, Resolution

That the present session of the Legislature be brought to a close on Saturday, July 14, 1877, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the following-entitled joint resolution was reconsidered and recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals :

Joint resolution reviving chapter 129, Laws of 1869, in favor of a road from Dummer to Erroll.

On motion of the same senator, the following-entitled bill was reconsidered and recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs :

An act to increase the efficiency and reduce the expenses of the state militia.

On motion of the same senator, voted, That when the Senate adjourns this forenoon it adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock Monday afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, JULY 9, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, JULY 10, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

By unanimous consent of the Senate, Mr. Slayton of No. 3 introduced the following-entitled bill :

An act to incorporate the Manchester Board of Trade,

Which was read a first and second time, and on motion of the same senator the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time and passed.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have concurred in the Senate amendment to House bill entitled, "An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth providing for a Board of Instruction," sent down from the Honorable Senate for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills made the following report :

The Joint Committee on Engrossed Bills report that they have carefully examined and find correctly engrossed the following bills and joint resolutions :

Joint resolution extending the hospitalities of the state to the President of the United States.

Joint resolution authorizing the secretary of state to procure one copy of the People Hand Book for the governor and council each.

An act to establish a board of education in school district No. 8 in Rochester, and to enable it to raise money for the support of schools therein.

An act to establish a board of education in union school district No. 2 in Bristol.

An act to incorporate the Portsmouth Mutual Relief Association.

An act in amendment of chapter 113, section 2, of the Laws of June session of 1876.

An act to extend the charter of the Pine River Lumber Company.

An act to incorporate Washington Lodge, No. 4, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

An act in amendment of and in addition to an act in relation to the Somersworth Savings Bank, passed June session, 1876.

An act in amendment of chapter 124 of the General Statutes relating to homesteads.

An act to incorporate the Nashua Protestant Home for Aged Women.

An act to incorporate the Nashua Bobbin and Shuttle Company.

An act to incorporate the New Hampshire Conference Preachers' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

An act to repeal chapter 46, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, entitled, "An act in amendment of section 2 of chapter 193 of the General Statutes."

An act in amendment of section 1, chapter 43 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, in relation to the times and places of holding the probate courts in the county of Grafton.

An act to apportion the state tax between the towns of Landaff and Eaton.

An act to incorporate the Carroll Steamboat Company.

An act in further amendment of chapter 15 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876 in relation to the probate courts of the county of Coos.

An act to incorporate the Uncanoonuck Road Company.

An act to incorporate the Saunders Shoe Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Chester and Derry Telegraph Company.

An act to incorporate the Concord Masonic Association.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dartmouth Savings Bank at Hanover.

An act in relation to the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

Joint resolution providing for the contingent expenses of the governor.

An act to amend the charter of the Windsor and Forest Line Railroad.

An act to incorporate the Farmington and Rochester Railroad.

An act to establish a board of education in school district No. 13 in the town of Gilford.

Joint resolution in favor of the state library.

An act in relation to public cemeteries.

An act to authorize the Monadnock Railroad Company to subscribe to the capital stock of the Peterborough and Hillsborough Railroad.

An act to disannex the taxable property of Thaddeus B. Crossett and Julius R. Crossett, and all the real estate belonging to John Currier of Langdon, lying in Acworth, from school district No. 13, in Acworth, and annex the same to school district No. 11, in said town, for school purposes.

An act to increase the capital stock of the Cocheco Manufacturing Company.

An act in addition to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal church in New Hampshire."

An act in amendment of chapter 66, General Statutes, relating to repairing of highways.

Joint resolution in favor of the repeal of the national bankrupt law.

Joint resolution relating to the relief map of the state.

An act to incorporate the Glen Lodge, No. 54, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Gorham.

An act to extend the charter of the Carroll County Five Cents Savings Bank of Wolfeborough.

An act prohibiting the allowing of coal tar, refuse, or deposit from gas works to flow into, or being deposited in, the waters of the Squamscot river.

An act to sever the homestead farm of John B. Lord from school district No. 1, in Brookfield, and annex the same to school district No. 12, in Wakefield, for schooling.

An act to enable the town of Mont Vernon to aid the McColom Institute.

Joint resolution relating to the claim of Cyrus K. Drake.

An act to sever certain territory from the town of Hampstead and annex the same to the town of Danville.

An act in relation to challenges in capital cases.

An act for the protection of fish in Lakin's pond in Hooksett.

An act to provide for the protection and security of public libraries.

An act to incorporate certain dentists by the name of the New Hampshire Dental Society.

An act to incorporate Columbian Lodge, No. 53, of Free Masons, of Walpole.

An act to incorporate the Rochester Aqueduct and Water Company.

An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Magdalena River Railroad.

An act in amendment of chapter 233, of the General Statutes, in relation to hearings before town officers.

An act providing for funding the indebtedness of the Peterborough railroad.

Joint resolution in favor of James W. Colby.

An act to suppress exhibitions of the fighting of birds, dogs or other animals.

Joint resolution relating to the adjutant general's department.

An act to amend the charter of the Kearsarge Summit Road Company.

An act for the better preservation of the records of the doings of county delegations.

An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Home for Indigent Women.

An act in amendment of section 2, of chapter 54, of the Pamphlet Laws passed June session, 1873, in relation to public parks and cemeteries.

Joint resolution in favor of Prisoners' Aid Society.

Join resolution in favor of deaf, dumb, blind and feeble-minded persons.

Joint resolution to appropriate money for the increase of the state prison library.

An act to authorize the state treasurer to issue registered bonds.

An act in amendment of an act entitled, "An act to establish a new proportion for the assessment of public taxes," approved July 20, 1876.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the New Hampshire Missionary Society.

An act to incorporate the Cross Pulp Company.

An act to amend chapter 25, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1876, relating to the present judiciary system.

An act in amendment of chapter 259, General Statutes, relating to offenses against public justice.

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An act to incorporate the Upper Coos and Essex Agricultural Society.

An act concerning the observance of Decoration Day as a legal holiday.

An act to incorporate Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 11, Royal Arch Masons.

Joint resolution authorizing the state treasurer to pay the town of Jaffrey its proportion of the literary fund for 1876.

An act in amendment of chapter 230, General Statutes, relative to the liability of persons summoned as trustees.

Joint resolution for appropriations through the White Mountain Notch.

An act providing for refunding the outstanding liabilities and stock of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

Joint resolution in favor of a highway in the towns of Erroll and Wentworth's Location.

An act providing for the trial of small causes without the intervention of a jury.

An act to amend section 7, of chapter 235, of the General Statutes, in relation to police officers.

An act to incorporate the Sunapee Lake Steamboat Company.

An act to incorporate the Union Church Association in Shelburne.

An act to incorporate the Union Manufacturing Company.

Joint resolution for the relief of the City Savings Bank in Manchester.

Joint resolution in favor of the roads in the town of Dixville, Coos county.

Joint resolution in favor of the main traveled road through the town of Randolph.

An act in regard to a temporary loan.

Joint resolution in favor of Wm. H. Cummings, S. G. Griffin, J. W. Parsons and Chas. H. Bartlett.

An act in amendment of chapter 186, of the General Statutes, relating to trustees of estates.

J. BURNAP,
For the Committee.

The report was accepted and adopted.

The following-entitled bills were severally read a third time and passed.

An act to incorporate the Excelsior Paper Stock Company.

An act in amendment of section 1, chapter 173, of the General Statutes, in regard to the publication of probate notices.

Previous notice having been given, Mr. Porter of No. 9 introduced the following-entitled bill, which was read a first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

An act in relation to county conventions.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to increase the revenues of the State of New Hampshire," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the Committee on State Institutions, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to provide for the employment of prisoners in county jails," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, voted, That when the Senate adjourns it adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The following-entitled bill was read a third time and passed :

An act to increase the revenues of the State of New Hampshire.

The following-entitled bill was, on motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, laid on the table :

An act to provide for the employment of prisoners in county jails.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act providing for the repairs of the roads in Green's and Martin's Grants," having considered the same, reported the same with the following amendments :

Strike out of section 1 "\$26,000" and insert "\$53,000."

Strike out of section 1 "\$39,000" and insert "\$12,000."

Strike out of section 4 "19" and insert "7."

The report was accepted, the amendments adopted, and the bill as amended ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

By unanimous consent of the Senate, Mr. Buffum of No. 5 offered the following-entitled joint resolution :

Joint resolution ceding the right of New Hampshire in the national cemeteries to the General Government,

Which was read a first and second time, when, on motion of

the same senator, the rules were suspended and the joint resolution read a third time and passed.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 19, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in Hooksett.

An act to incorporate the United States Marbleoid Company.

An act in amendment of chapter 79, of the General Statutes, relating to meetings and officers of school districts.

An act in amendment to chapter 129, General Statutes, relating to pounds and distraining animals.

An act to change the time of holding the election for the choice of town officers.

An act relating to the town of Rye.

An act to establish boards of education in such school districts of the state as may desire the same.

Joint resolution in favor of department of justice at Washington.

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolution were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

Joint resolution in favor of department of justice at Washington.

An act in amendment of chapter 139, General Statutes, relating to pounds and distraining animals.

An act in amendment of chapter 79, of the General Statutes, relating to meetings and officers of school districts.

An act to change the time of holding the election for choice of town officers.

To the Committee on Education :

An act providing for the establishment of boards of education in such school districts of the state as may desire the same.

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act to incorporate the United States Marbleoid Company.

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 19, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in Hooksett.

To the Committee on Towns :

An act in relation to the town of Rye.

The following-entitled bill was read a third time and passed :

An act providing for the repairs of the roads in Green's and Martin's Grants.

On motion of Mr. Eaton of No. 7, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the United States Marbleoid Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act for the relief of the town of Allenstown," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

By unanimous consent of the Senate Mr. Porter of No. 9 introduced the following-entitled bill, which was read a first and second time, when on motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time and passed :

An act for the protection of black bass and salmon trout in Spofford's lake.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 19, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in Hooksett," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, JULY 12, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The following-entitled bills were severally read a third time and passed :

An act for the relief of the town of Allenstown.

An act to incorporate the United States Marbleoid Company.

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 19, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in Hooksett.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment to chapter 129, General Statutes, relating to pounds and distraining animals," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of department of justice at Washington," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

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And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 201 of the General Statutes, relating to actions," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to the support of indigent idiotic and feeble adult children," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to regulate the publication of the reports of the Supreme Court," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 12, chapter 44, of the General Statutes, relative to the publication of city ordinances," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint

resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to exempt from taxation certain improvements on farms.

An act to incorporate the North Conway Aqueduct and Water Company.

An act to incorporate the Appleton Hotel Company.

An act in amendment of chapter 22, Laws of 1874, in relation to the protection of black bass.

An act in amendment of section 2, chapter 41, of the Laws of 1872, in relation to the more equal distribution of estates.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Lowell and Windham Railroad, passed June session, 1874.

An act in amendment of chapter 99, General Statutes, in relation to trials of complaints and indictments for being a common seller of spirituous liquors or for keeping the same for sale.

An act to incorporate the Manchester and Fitchburg Railroad.

Joint resolution providing for a Board of Commissioners to examine and ascertain whether all classes of property are equally taxed, and to recommend a plan to relieve the towns and cities from what is known as the state tax.

Joint resolution relating to the proprietors of Portsmouth Bridge.

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Joint resolution in favor of George Y. Sawyer, Jonas Livingstone and the heirs of Hiram R. Roberts.

Joint resolution for the appointment of a commission to inquire into and report what legislation, if any, may be necessary in relation to the Winnipiseogee Lake Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company.

Joint resolution of thanks for portraits.

Joint resolution relating to the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the battle of Bennington, and in aid of erecting a monument in commemoration of the same, and defraying expenses of troops.

The House of Representatives concur with the Honorable Senate in the passage of the following-entitled Senate bill sent down for concurrence :

An act to incorporate the Manchester Board of Trade.

The House of Representatives concur with the Honorable Senate in the amendments to House bill entitled, "An act providing for the repairs of the roads in Green's and Martin's Grants," sent down for concurrence.

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolutions were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

An act to exempt from taxation certain improvements on farms.

An act in amendment of section 2, of chapter 41, of the Laws of 1872, in relation to the more equal distribution of estates.

An act in amendment of chapter 99, General Statutes, in relation to trials of complaints and indictments for being a common seller of spirituous liquor or for keeping the same for sale.

Joint resolution providing for a Board of Commissioners to examine and ascertain whether all classes of property are equally taxed, and to recommend a plan to relieve the towns and cities from what is known as the state tax.

Joint resolution in favor of George Y. Sawyer, Jonas Livingstone and the heirs of Hiram R. Roberts.

Joint resolution relating to the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the battle of Bennington, and in aid of erecting a monument in commemoration of the same, and defraying expenses of troops.

Joint resolution for a commission to inquire into and report what legislation, if any, may be necessary in relation to the

Winnipiseogee Lake Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company.

To the Committee on Railroads :

An act to incorporate the Manchester and Fitchburg Railroad.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Lowell and Windham Railroad, passed June session, 1874.

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act to incorporate the North Conway Aqueduct and Water Company.

An act to incorporate the Appleton Hotel Company.

To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals :

Joint resolution relating to the proprietors of Portsmouth Bridge.

To the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures :

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

An act in amendment of chapter 22 of the laws of 1874, in relation to the protection of black bass.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Appleton Hotel Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the North Conway Aqueduct and Water Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Noyes of No. 7, for the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "A joint resolution in favor of appointing a committee to revise and amend the fish and game laws," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act defining the powers and duties of the fish commissioners and wardens," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution providing for a board of commissioners to examine and ascertain whether all classes of property are equally taxed, and to recommend a plan to relieve the towns and cities from what is known as the state tax," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 79 of the General Statutes, relating to meetings and officers of school districts," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution relating to the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the battle of Bennington, and in aid of erecting a monument in commemoration

of the same, and defraying the expenses of troops," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 2 of chapter 41, of the Laws of 1872, in relation to the more equal distribution of estates," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of George Y. Sawyer, Jonas Livingstone and the heirs of Hiram R. Roberts," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the following-entitled bills and joint resolution, under suspension of the rules, were read a third time and passed:

Joint resolution in favor of Department of Justice at Washington.

An act in amendment of chapter 139 of General Statutes, relating to pounds and distraining animals.

An act in relation to the support of indigent, idiotic and feeble adult children.

An act in amendment of chapter 201 of the General Statutes, in relation to actions.

On motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, the bill entitled, "An act to provide for the employment of prisoners in county jails," was

taken from the table, put back on its second reading and amended, and as amended read a third time and passed, under suspension of the rules.

By unanimous consent, under suspension of the rules, Mr. Cummings of No. 12 introduced the following bill, which was read twice, when on motion of the same senator, the bill was read a third time and passed, under suspension of the rules :

An act legalizing all taxes assessed in the town of Bethlehem in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, by unanimous consent, the following-entitled bill was introduced, read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary :

An act regarding concealed weapons.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, by unanimous consent, the following-entitled bill and joint resolution were introduced, read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures :

Joint resolution in favor of appointing a committee to revise and amend the fish and game laws.

An act defining the duties and powers of fish commissioners and wardens.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, by unanimous consent, the following-entitled bill was introduced, read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary :

An act for the protection of oyster beds.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to regulate the construction of telegraph lines.

An act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals and birds.

An act relating to sections 3 and 4 of an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company," passed at the June session, 1877.

The following-entitled House bills were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act repealing section 3 and 4 of an act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company, passed at June session, 1877.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

An act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals and birds.

An act to regulate the construction of telegraph lines.

Mr. Johnson of No. 11, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Manchester and Fitchburg Railroad," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Lowell and Windham Railroad, passed June session, 1874," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the joint resolution, entitled, "A joint resolution for the appointment of a commission to inquire into and report what legislation, if any, be necessary in relation to the

Winnipiseogee Lake Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to establish boards of education in such school districts of the state as may desire the same," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the rules were so far suspended that the following-entitled bills and joint resolutions were read a third time by their titles and passed :

An act defining the powers and duties of the fish commissioners and wardens.

Joint resolution in favor of appointing a committee to confer with the fish commissioners in revising and amending the fish and game laws.

Joint resolution relating to the celebration of the anniversary of the battle of Bennington, and in aid of erecting a monument in commemoration of the same, and defraying expenses of troops.

An act to incorporate the North Conway Aqueduct and Water Company.

Joint resolution providing for a Board of Commissioners to examine and ascertain whether all classes of property are equally taxed, and to recommend a plan to relieve the towns and cities from what is known as the state tax.

An act in amendment of chapter 79, of the General Statutes, relating to meetings and officers of school districts.

Joint resolution in favor of George Y. Sawyer, Jonas Livingstone and the heirs of Hiram R. Roberts.

An act to incorporate the Appleton Hotel Company.

An act in amendment of section 2, of chapter 41, of the Laws of 1872, in relation to the more equal distribution of estates.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, all bills and joint resolutions in order for a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock were made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolution were severally read a third time and passed :

An act to establish boards of education in such school districts of the state as may desire the same.

Joint resolution for the appointment of a commission to inquire into and report what legislation, if any, may be necessary in relation to the Winnipiseogee Lake Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Manchester and Fitchburg Railroad.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Lowell and Windham Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Noyes of No. 8, the Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY, JULY 13, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The reading of the journal having been commenced, on motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the rules were so far suspended that its further reading was dispensed with.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act for protection of oyster beds," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Towns, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act relating to the town of Rye," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act regarding the carrying of concealed weapons," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred the joint resolution relating to the proprietors of Portsmouth Bridge, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, for the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to increase the efficiency and reduce the expenses of the militia," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the bill was laid on the table.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act in amendment of chapter 161, section 9, of the General Statutes, concerning the solemnization of marriages.

An act to repeal chapter 22 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868.

An act to repeal chapter 111 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868.

An act in amendment of section 1, chapter 55, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1872, relating to the better protection of trout.

An act in regard to the protection of pickerel in Coos county.

An act in amendment of chapter 12, of the Laws of 1873, relating to the public printing.

An act in amendment to chapter 141, of the General Statutes, relating to aqueduct and gas light companies.

An act regulating the taking of fish.

An act to repeal all laws for the protection of pickerel.

An act to reorganize and equalize the senatorial districts according to the amended constitution.

Joint resolution in favor of Simeon F. Platts.

Joint resolution in favor of state house.

Joint resolution in favor of John Pender.

Joint resolution in relation to the fish commission.

Joint resolution in favor of the reform school.

The House concur with the Honorable Senate in the passage of an act in amendment of section 7, of chapter 6, Pamphlet Laws of 1870, establishing a state normal school, sent down for concurrence.

The House concur with the Honorable Senate in the Senate amendment to House bill entitled, "An act to provide for the employment of prisoners in county jails," sent down for concurrence.

The following House bills and joint resolutions were severally read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

An act to repeal chapter 111 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868.

An act to repeal all laws for the protection of pickerel.

An act in amendment of chapter 141 of the General Statutes, relating to aqueduct and gas light companies.

An act in amendment of chapter 161, section 9, of the General Statutes, concerning the solemnization of marriages.

An act to repeal chapter 22 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868.

An act to reorganize and equalize the senatorial districts according to the amended constitution.

To the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures :

An act in regard to the protection of pickerel in Coos county.

An act in amendment of section 1 of chapter 55 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1872, relating to the better protection of trout.

An act regulating the taking of trout.

Joint resolution in relation to the fish commission.

To the Committee on Claims :

Joint resolution in favor of Simeon F. Platts.

Joint resolution in favor of John Pender.

To the Committee on Finance :

An act in amendment of chapter 12 of the Laws of 1873, relating to public printing.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolution were read a third time and passed :

An act regarding the carrying of concealed weapons.

An act for the protection of oyster beds.

An act relating to the town of Rye.

Joint resolution relating to the proprietors of Portsmouth Bridge.

Mr. Eaton, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to extend the time of completing the Manchester and Claremont Railroad," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Burnap, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act repealing sections 3 and 4 of an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company,'" passed at the June session, 1877, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the following report was taken from the table, reported by Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on State Institutions, to whom was re-committed the bill and amendments thereto, entitled, "An act providing for the erection of a new state prison," having considered the same, reported the same with the amendments, and recommended its passage.

And the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock, when on motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3 the rules were suspended and the bill as amended read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of No. 11, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The bill entitled an act repealing sections 3 and 4 of an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company," passed June session, 1877, was considered, and ordered to a third reading at the present time, and the yeas and nays being demanded upon the passage of the bill, the following senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Eaton, Porter, Burnap, Johnson, Cummings.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Buffum, Cloutman, Noyes, Eldredge.

And eight senators having voted in the affirmative and four in the negative, the bill passed.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the following-entitled bill was taken from the table :

An act to increase the efficiency and reduce the expenses of the state militia.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, the bill was, under a suspension of the rules, read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate took a recess till 5 o'clock.

On re-assembling, on motion of Mr. Johnson of No. 11, the Senate took a recess till 7 o'clock.

On re-assembling, Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to whom was referred the following-entitled bills and joint resolutions :

An act for the protection of pickerel in Coos county.

An act regulating the taking of fish.

An act in amendment of section 1 of chapter 55, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1872, relating to the better protection of trout.

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Joint resolution in relation to the Fish Commissioners, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended their passage.

And the bills and joint resolutions were severally ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to regulate the constructing of Telegraph Lines," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolutions, were, under a suspension of the rules, read a third time and passed :

An act in regard to the protection of pickerel in Coos county.

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Joint resolution in relation to the Fish Commissioners.

An act regulating the taking of fish.

An act to regulate the constructing of telegraph lines.

An act in amendment of section 1 of chapter 55, of the Pamphlet Laws of 1872, relating to the better protection of trout.

An act to extend the time for completing the Manchester and Claremont Railroad.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, voted, That when the Senate adjourns this evening it adjourn to meet at four o'clock next Monday afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, JULY 16, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the Senate adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the Committee on State House and State House Yard, to whom was referred the joint resolution in favor of state house, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 12 of the laws of 1873 relating to the public printing," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Buffum of No. 5, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The following-entitled House joint resolution and bill were read a third time and passed :

Joint resolution in favor of State House.

An act in amendment of chapter 12 of the Laws of 1873, relating to the public printing.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled "A joint resolution in favor of John Pender," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to repeal chapter 111 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868, entitled, 'An act to provide for the geological and mineralogical survey of the state,'" having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 161 of the General Statutes, concerning the solemnization of marriages," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to repeal chapter 22 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment to chapter 141 of the General Statutes, relating to aqueduct and gas light companies," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of Simeon F. Platts," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the rules were so far suspended that all bills and joint resolutions in order for a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, were made in order at the present time.

And the following-entitled bills and joint resolutions were severally read a third time and passed :

Joint resolution in favor of John Pender.

Joint resolution in favor of Simeon F. Platts.

An act to repeal chapter 22 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868.

An act in amendment of chapter 161, section 9, of the General Statutes, concerning the solemnization of marriages.

An act to repeal chapter 111 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868 entitled, "An act to provide for the geological and mineralogical survey of the state."

An act in amendment to chapter 141 of the General Statutes relating to aqueduct and gas light companies.

On motion of Mr. Eldredge of No. 1, the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The journal was read and approved.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to facilitate the collection of taxes on wood, bark, timber, logs and lumber, and to increase the revenue.

An act in amendment of an act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists or apothecaries in this state.

An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth.

An act making an appropriation for the state normal school.

An act in relation to the formation of co-operative associations.

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire Historical Society.

The House of Representatives concur with the Honorable Senate in the passage of the following-entitled bill and joint resolution with amendments, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act to authorize the appointment of special administrators.

Joint resolution in favor of appointing a committee to revise and amend the fish and game laws.

And concurred in the passage of the following-entitled Senate bills, sent down from the Honorable Senate for concurrence :

An act for protection of oyster beds.

An act legalizing all the taxes assessed in the town of Bethlehem in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

An act defining the powers and duties of the fish commissioners and wardens.

The House of Representatives concur with the Honorable Senate in the passage of the following-entitled joint resolution, sent down for concurrence :

Joint resolution ceding the right of New Hampshire in the national cemeteries to the general government.

And concur with the Honorable Senate in the passage of the following-entitled bill sent down for concurrence :

An act regarding the carrying of concealed weapons.

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolution were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

An act in amendment of an act to prevent incompetent persons

from conducting the business of druggists and apothecaries in this state.

An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth.

An act to facilitate the collection of taxes on wood, bark, timber, logs and lumber, and to increase the revenue.

To the Committee on Library :

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire Historical Society.

To the Committee on Education :

An act making an appropriation for the state normal school.

To the Committee on Incorporations :

An act in relation to the formation of co-operative associations.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 asked leave to introduce the following-entitled bill :

An act in relation to drawing logs on highways.

Which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6 asked leave to introduce a joint resolution relating to the reform movement, which was read a first and second time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary, when on motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9 the rules were suspended and the joint resolution read a third time and passed.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Senate reconsiders the vote passed on the 12th instant, wherein it adopted the report of the Judiciary Committee, to wit :

That it is inexpedient to legislate upon the House bill entitled, "An act to regulate the publication of the reports of the supreme court," and that said bill be re-committed to the Judiciary Committee.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act authorizing the Lake Village Fire District of Gilford to raise money for the purpose of keeping in repair its town clock.

An act to prevent towns and cities from aiding railroads and other corporations.

An act to incorporate the Piscataqua Savings Bank.

An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 51, of the General Statutes, relating to persons giving name to collector of taxes.

An act entitled, "An act for the better protection of children."

An act in relation to public printing.

An act defining the representation of towns of less than six hundred population, as shown by the census of 1870.

Joint resolution in relation to the highways in the town of Lincoln.

Joint resolution relating to a national prohibitory law.

The House of Representatives concur in the passage of the Senate bill entitled, "An act for the protection of black bass and salmon trout in Spofford's Lake," sent down from the Honorable Senate for concurrence.

And have concurred in the amendments to House bill entitled, "An act for the erection of a new state prison," sent down from the Honorable Senate for concurrence.

And have indefinitely postponed Senate bill entitled, "An act regarding the carrying of concealed weapons."

The following-entitled House bills and joint resolutions were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

An act to prevent towns and cities from aiding railroads and other corporations.

An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 51, of the General Statutes, relating to persons giving name to collector of taxes.

An act for the better protection of children.

An act defining the representation of towns of less than six hundred population, as shown by the census of 1870.

Joint resolution relating to a national prohibitory law.

To the Committee on Towns :

An act authorizing the Lake Village fire district of Gilford to raise money for the purpose of keeping in repair its town clock.

To the Committee on Banks :

An act to incorporate the Piscataqua Savings Bank.

To the Committee on Finance :

An act in relation to public printing.

To the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals :

Joint resolution in relation to the highways in the town of Lincoln.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, the Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act for the better protection of children," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "A joint resolution relating to a national prohibitory law," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 51, of the General Statutes, regarding persons giving name to collector of taxes," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of chapter 99, General Statutes, in relation to trials of complaints and indictments for being a common seller of spirituous liquor or keeping the same for sale," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was re-committed the bill entitled, "An act to regulate the publication of the reports of the Supreme Court," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred the joint resolution in relation to the highway in the town of Lincoln, having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to drawing logs on the public highways," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Eaton of No. 7, for the Committee on Towns, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act authorizing the Lake Village fire district of Gilford to raise money for the purpose of keeping in repair its town clock," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on State Library, to whom was referred the joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire Historical Society, having considered the same, re-

ported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The foregoing bills and joint resolutions were severally ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred the House bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Piscataqua Savings Bank," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act making an appropriation for the state normal school," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on State Institutions, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of the state reform school," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Burnap of No. 10, for the Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act relating to the formation of co-operative associations," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate took a recess till 7 o'clock.

On re-assembling, the following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

An act regulating the sale of cider.

Joint resolution authorizing the commission to be appointed by the governor for equalizing taxes and increasing the revenues of the state to send for persons and papers and employ a clerk.

Joint resolution in favor of the engrossing clerk.

Joint resolution in favor of centennial commission.

The House of Representatives concur with the Honorable Senate in the passage of the following-entitled bill and joint resolution, sent down for concurrence :

An act in relation to drawing logs on the public highways.

Joint resolution relating to the reform movement.

The following-entitled bills and joint resolutions were severally read a first and second time and referred.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

Joint resolution authorizing the commission to be appointed by the governor on equalizing taxes and increasing the revenues of the state to send for persons and papers and employ a clerk.

To the Committee on Claims :

Joint resolution in favor of the engrossing clerk.

To the Committee on Finance :

Joint resolution in favor of centennial committee.

To the Committee on Judiciary :

An act regulating the sale of cider.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the rules were suspended and the following-entitled bills and joint resolutions severally read a third time and passed :

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire Historical Society.

Joint resolution relating to a national prohibitory law.

An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 51, of the General Statutes, relating to persons giving name to collector of taxes.

An act to regulate the publication of the reports of the Supreme Court.

An act entitled, "An act for the better protection of children."

An act in amendment of chapter 99, General Statutes, in relation to trials of complaints and indictments for being a common seller of spirituous liquors, or for keeping the same for sale.

Joint resolution in relation to the highways in the town of Lincoln.

An act authorizing the Lake Village fire district of Gilford to raise money for the purpose of keeping in repair its town clock.

Joint resolution in favor of the reform school.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Canals, to whom was referred the joint resolution reviving chapter 129 of the laws of 1869, making an appropriation in favor of a road from Dummer to Errol, having considered the same, reported the same in a new draft, and recommended its passage.

The joint resolution (as reported in a new draft) was read a first and second time, and on motion of Mr. Cloutman of No. 6, laid on the table.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to prevent towns and cities from aiding railroads and other corporations," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter, the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time, at the present time, and passed.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to public printing," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate upon the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to exempt from taxation certain improvements on farms," having considered the same, reported the same with the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, at this session a joint resolution has been adopted, authorizing the governor, with advice of the council, to appoint tax commissioners whose duty it will be to report to the next legislature upon the general subject of taxation, therefore,

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate upon this bill at this time.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, JULY 19, 1877.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

The reading of the journal having been commenced, on motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the rules were suspended and its further reading dispensed with.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed bills and joint resolutions with the following titles, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

Joint resolution in favor of Charles E. Cummings and others.

The House of Representatives have concurred in the passage of the following-entitled bill, sent down from the Honorable Senate for concurrence :

An act in relation to drawing logs on the public highways.

The following-entitled joint resolution was read a first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Claims :

Joint resolution in favor of Charles E. Cummings and others.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to reorganize and equalize the senatorial districts according to the amended constitution," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Cummings of No. 12, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, from the same committee, made the following report :

Minority report of Judiciary Committee on bill entitled, "An act to reorganize and equalize the senatorial districts according to the amended constitution :"

The dividing of the State of New Hampshire into twenty-four senatorial districts, in accordance with the terms of the amended constitution, ought not to be a matter of doubt or difficulty. The rule laid down is too plain to mistake. If the object is simply to carry out that rule, hardly any two persons, acquainted with the geography of our state, and having the rate of taxation before them, could differ as to the division. The constitutional requirement is in clause twenty-six, as follows :

"And that the state may be *equally represented in the Senate, the legislature shall*, from time to time, *divide the state* into twenty-four districts, *as 'nearly equal* as may be, without dividing

towns and unincorporated places ; and in making this division *they shall govern themselves* by the proportion of direct taxes paid by the same district, and timely make known to the inhabitants of the state the limits of each district."

The only rule is an equal division of towns and cities, according to direct taxes. That these districts shall be made of contiguous territory, and as compact in form as possible, are so obvious to any one, that no constitutional provision seemed necessary to enforce that principle.

Has the bill, reported from the House, complied with those plain requirements? If not, it ought not to become a law.

Has it not notoriously disregarded both? If it has, the Senate ought to reject the bill and pass one constitutional in its essential provisions, and containing districts, compact in form, and convenient for the inhabitants to meet, at some common centre.

How does this bill stand as to division by the rate of direct taxes? The correct basis of direct tax to each district is the product of \$1000 of state tax, divided by the number of senatorial districts, twenty-four, which makes the true amount \$41.67 for each district. By this bill No. 1 pays \$34.62 and No. 19 pays \$50.68, a difference of nearly 50 per cent. That rule is needlessly violated in Nos. 1 and 19, to the extent of 47 per cent in No. 19, and nearly 20 per cent in No. 1. Three districts have more than \$48 and seven districts have more than \$45, while three districts have less than \$37, seven less than \$38 and ten less than \$39, showing clearly that some other reason, not mentioned in the amended constitution, governed the framer of this bill.

For the plain reason that this bill so utterly disregarded this injunction of the constitution, it ought not to pass the Senate.

But as still farther evidence of its real character, look at the territorial character of some of the districts. No. 3 is made to take three towns from Carrol county, all bordering on the state of Maine, and bringing them up through the White Mountain Notch to a common centre to meet Ellsworth, Wentworth and Warren in the Pemigewasset Valley, making necessary more than 130 miles of travel to bring the extremes together. No. 5

is made up of towns from the counties of Carroll, Belknap, Grafton, Merrimack and Sullivan, and running diagonally nearly across the state, and making more than 150 miles of travel by railroad to bring the extremes to a common centre. Other districts are of a similar character, though not to the same extent.

The very serious objection of disregard of the plain constitutional mandate, and the disregard of the convenience of the people, show clearly that the ruling motive in the mind of the framer of the bill was political advantage. When you look at the end reached in this report and bill the motive is clearly proved. A fair political division (if such a consideration could be allowed at all) would give the Republican party at most 13 senators and the Democratic party 11 senators, while this bill gives 17 Republican and only 7 Democratic senators.

This kind of legislation proclaims to the people of this state that laws to protect party interests, in disregard of the constitution and the rights and conveniences of the people, have governed this legislature and kept them here through seven weeks of party plotting and party scheming solely for political, partisan advantage. To the Senate should belong the distinction of rising above the schemes and arts of demagogues, and a fair bill, having due regard to constitutional obligations, and the rights of the minority, should pass this body of men.

For these plain reasons, and many others that might be named, the minority of the committee to whom this bill was referred hereby assigns his motives for opposing the report of the majority of said committee.

W. H. CUMMINGS,

Of the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the report was laid on the table.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of the engrossing clerk," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution in favor of Charles E. Cummings and others," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Noyes of No. 8, for the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "A joint resolution in favor of centennial committee," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Johnson of No. 11, for the Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to regulate the freight charges on railroads," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in relation to county conventions," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be postponed to the next legislature.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to facilitate the collection of taxes upon wood, bark, timber, logs and lumber, and to increase the revenue," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That this bill be referred to the tax commissioners which have been provided for at this session of the legislature.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act relating to the holding of the trial terms of the Supreme Court for Hillsborough county," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be postponed to the next legislature.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2, for the Committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of section 1, of chapter 22, of the Laws of 1874, in relation to the protection of black bass," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to change the time of holding the election for the choice of town officers," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12 offered the following amendment :

Amend by striking out all after the enacting clause except the third section and fourth section.

And the question being stated, "Shall the amendment be adopted?" Mr. Cummings of No. 12 demanded the yeas and nays.

Upon the roll being called the following senators answered in the affirmative :

Messrs. Eldredge, Slayton, Cloutman, Noyes, Cummings.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Wheeler, Head, Eaton, Porter, Burnap, Johnson.

And five senators having voted in the affirmative and six in the negative the amendment was not adopted.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the following-entitled bill was taken from the table and considered :

An act to reorganize and equalize the senatorial districts according to the amended constitution.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12 moved that the bill be referred to the next session of the legislature, and upon this motion demanded the yeas and nays.

Upon the roll being called the following senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Eldredge, Cloutman, Noyes, Cummings.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Buffum, Eaton, Porter, Bur-nap.

And four senators having voted in the affirmative and seven in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3 moved that the rules be so far suspended that the bill be read a third time at the present and passed.

On this motion Mr. Cummings of No. 12 demanded the yeas and nays.

Upon the roll being called the following senators answered in the affirmative :

Messrs. Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Buffum, Eaton, Porter, Bur-nap.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Eldredge, Cloutman, Noyes, Cummings.

So the motion did not prevail, and the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5 offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Judiciary,

wherein it resolved that it was inexpedient to legislate on the subject, entitled, "An act in amendment of section 12, chapter 44, General Statutes, relative to the publication of city ordinances," be reconsidered, and that said bill be re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to repeal all laws for the protection of pickerel," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be postponed to the next session.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Buffum of No. 5, for the same committee, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act regulating the sale of cider," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The same senator, for the same committee, to whom was referred the joint resolution entitled, "Joint resolution authorizing the commission to be appointed by the governor on equalizing taxes and increasing the revenues of the state to send for persons and papers and employ a clerk," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

And the joint resolution was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3, for the Committee on Banks, to whom was referred a joint resolution entitled, "A joint resolution for

the relief of the Rockingham Ten Cents Savings Bank," having considered the same, reported the same with the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to legislate on this subject.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was re-committed the bill entitled, "An act in amendment of an act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists or apothecaries in this state," having considered the same, reported the same with the following amendment :

"Provided that the certificates thus furnished to the commissioners be from a pharmacist, who is registered by reason of an examination by said commissioners."

Mr. Wheeler of No. 2 moved to indefinitely postpone the bill. The question being stated, "Shall the bill be indefinitely postponed?" it was decided in the negative.

The report was accepted and the amendment adopted, and the bill, as amended, ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the following-entitled bills and joint resolutions were severally read a third time and passed, under a suspension of the rules :

An act regulating the sale of cider.

Joint resolution authorizing the commission to be appointed by the governor on equalizing taxes and increasing the revenues of the state to send for persons and papers and employ a clerk.

An act in amendment of an act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists or apothecaries in this state.

Joint resolution in favor of Charles E. Cummings and others.

Joint resolution in favor of centennial committee.

Joint resolution in favor of the engrossing clerk.

Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act defining the representation of towns of less than six hundred population, as shown by the census of 1870," having considered the same, reported the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12, for the same committee, made the following report :

Report of the minority of the Judiciary Committee on the bill defining the representation of towns of less than 600 population, as shown by the census of 1870.

The amended constitution provides that all towns having less than six hundred inhabitants, by the census of 1870, shall be classed in districts of two or more ; or if so situated that they cannot be conveniently classed with any other town, then such town may send representatives such proportion of time as their number of inhabitants bears to six hundred. By this rule the House bill classes some twenty-six towns and places into districts, each having from two to fourteen towns and places, in said district, to elect a representative. The towns and places that are to elect according to population are thirty in all, as follows, with their population in 1870. Those having 500 and over are :

Gilsum,	590	Monroe,	532
Groton,	583	Fremont,	527
East Kingston,	553	Greenfield,	527
Danville,	548	Goshen,	501

Those having from 400 to 500 are :

Sandown,	496	Centre Harbor,	441
Atkinson,	488	Chatham,	445
Madbury,	476	Newington,	414
Middleton,	476	Langdon,	411
Stark,	464	Temple,	421
Bridgewater,	453	Brookfield,	416
South Hampton,	448	Bennington,	401

Those having from 300 to 400 are :

Hebron,	382	Sullivan,	347
Litchfield,	345	Albany,	339
Orange,	340	Surry,	318
Benton,	375	Dummer,	317

And under 300 are :

Shelburne,	259	Roxbury,	174
Sharon,	182	Windsor,	87
Errol,	178	Waterville,	33

Of these towns, the House bill provides that the following towns shall elect each a representative in 1878 and 1880 :

Brookfield,	416	Goshen,	507
Atkinson,	488	Madbury,	476
Bridgewater,	453	Munroe,	532
Danville,	548	Temple,	421
Fremont,	527	Langdon,	411
Gilsum,	590		

It will be noticed that these eleven towns are not selected according as their population comes nearest to the standard of 600, for several towns with a larger population are made to elect but once each for the two terms of 1878 and 1880. They are selected by a standard entirely different, and one that is not known in the amended constitution. Nine of the eleven are Republican towns and two Democratic. The towns selected to send a representative in 1878 are :

Albany,	339	Groton,	583
Chatham,	445	Orange,	340
Roxbury,	174	Bennington,	401
Sullivan,	347	East Kingston,	553
Shelburne,	259	Sandown,	496
Benton,	375	South Hampton,	448

These twelve towns are not selected with reference to their population, as they run all the way from 174 to 583, and stand, politically, 7 Democratic and 5 Republican. Now take the towns in the first table, that send the same year, and the result is 14 Republican representatives and 9 Democratic representatives, giving a Republican majority of 5.

The towns selected to send a representative in 1880 are :

Middleton,	476	Greenfield,	527
Surry,	318	Litchfield,	345
Dummer,	317	Sharon,	182
Stark,	464	Newington,	414
Hebron,	382	Centre Harbor,	446

These ten towns send 7 Democratic representatives and 3 Republicans. Now take the towns in the first table, that send the same year, and the result is 12 Republican towns and 9 Democratic towns, giving a Republican majority of 3.

By this jugglery a Republican majority of 5 is secured for 1878 and 3 for 1880.

Two towns are left out entirely, namely, Errol and Windsor, both Democratic towns.

Such is the arrangement according to this bill. Now, what is the actual political situation of these towns? Here are 35 towns in all, 19 Democratic and 17 Republican, so manipulated as to give a Republican majority of 5 in 1878 and 3 in 1880. How is this result brought about?

In the first place, what would be a fair, equitable and constitutional mode of assigning these towns? Six hundred being the standard, is it not plain that towns having 500 are entitled to elect five-sixths of the time, those with 400 four-sixths, with 300 three-sixths, 200 two-sixths, and 100 one-sixth? This is plain, because it is the plain provision of the amended constitution. If the eight towns with 500 inhabitants, and the fourteen with 400 and over, should elect representatives in 1878 and 1880, then drop the towns with 400 for 1882, and let the towns with 300 and over elect in 1882, the towns would then have their share in legislation according to the constitutional provision. But the towns in the House bill are selected to accomplish certain political results, without regard to that provision.

For instance, Roxbury, a Republican town, with 174 inhabitants, is given the same representation as Greenfield, a Democratic town, with 527 inhabitants. Shelburne, a Republican town, with 59 inhabitants, is given the same representation with Groton, a Democratic town, with 583 inhabitants. Sharon, with 182, elects in 1880, and Errol, with 178, has no election.

By this kind of jugglery 6 Republican towns, with less than 500 inhabitants, each elect both in 1878 and 1880, and three Democratic towns, with nearly 600 each, elect only in one of the years.

I claim that this legislature cannot, without nullifying the constitution just amended so acceptably to all the people, pass this bill. Can you disfranchise the town of Groton in 1880, with 583 inhabitants, and permit Langdon, with 411, to elect both in 1878 and 1880? or can you disfranchise the town of Errol entirely, with 178 inhabitants, and allow Roxbury, with 174, to elect in 1880? Is it not imperatively demanded by the constitution that all these towns shall elect just as their population bears to 600, that being the limit for towns to elect at every election, and can that be got at in any way so fair as to take the towns, commencing with the highest population, which is 590, and running down to 401, and let all these towns, without regard to their political character, elect each a representative in 1878 and 1880, and the towns with less than 400 elect in 1882? or allow all having over 300 to elect in 1880? As the census of 1880 will change some towns, it seems not necessary to provide for any later election than 1880 at present.

But there is another reason why the whole subject should be postponed until the next legislature. Wherever town or ward lines have changed since 1870 the constitution expressly provides that the session *next* preceding this election shall determine the number of representatives such towns or wards are entitled to. This legislature cannot, therefore, complete the legislation necessary for organizing the House to be elected in November, 1878.

Is it not better, therefore, to defer the whole subject for adjustment to June, 1878? What necessity for passing the law now? Is there any except the political advantage, that the majority now mean to make certain, while they control all branches of the state government? But an intelligent people will pass upon this bill of abomination, this outrage upon the minority, and upon that intelligence the minority must rely for restoration of their rights.

W. H. CUMMINGS,
Of the Judiciary Committee.

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Mr. Cummings of No. 12 moved to substitute the minority for the majority report.

And on this motion demanded the yeas and nays.

Upon the roll being called the following senators answered in the affirmative :

Messrs. Eldredge, Cloutman, Noyes, Cummings.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Buffum, Eaton, Porter, Burnap, Johnson.

And four senators having answered in the affirmative and eight in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

Mr. Cummings of No. 12 offered the following amendment to the bill :

Amend by striking out all after the words "That is to say," in the eighth line, and in place thereof add the words, "Atkinson, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Bennington, Centre Harbor, Chatham, Danville, East Kingston, Fremont, Gilsum, Goshen, Greenfield, Groton, Langdon, Madbury, Middleton, Monroe, Newton, Sandown, South Hampton, Stark and Surry," down to the words, "in the year one thousand," in the thirteenth line.

Also, strike out all after the word "and," in the fourteenth line, and substitute therefor the words "Albany, Atkinson, Benton, Danville, Dummer, East Kingston, Fremont, Gilsum, Goshen, Greenfield, Groton, Hebron, Litchfield, Middleton, Monroe, Orange, Sandown, Shelburne, Sharon, Stark, Sullivan and Temple," down to "the year of our Lord," in the eighteenth line.

And the question being stated, "Shall the amendment be adopted?" Mr. Cummings demanded the yeas and nays.

Upon the roll being called the following senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Eldredge, Cloutman, Noyes, Cummings.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Buffum, Eaton, Porter, Burnap, Johnson.

And four senators having voted in the affirmative and eight in the negative, the amendment was not adopted.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The bill entitled, "An act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals and birds," was considered.

Mr. Slayton of No. 3 offered the following amendment :

Amend by striking out of said bill all that relates to foxes.

The amendment was not agreed to.

The same senator then moved to amend the bill by adding skunks.

The amendment was not agreed to.

And the bill was ordered to a third reading this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the rules were so far suspended that all bills and joint resolutions in order for a third reading this afternoon at three o'clock, were made in order for a third reading at the present time.

The following-entitled bills were read a third time and passed :

An act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals and birds.

An act defining the representation of towns of less than six hundred population as shown by the census of 1870.

On the passage of this bill, Mr. Cummings of No. 12 demanded the yeas and nays.

Upon the roll being called, the following senators answered in the affirmative :

Messrs. Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Buffum, Eaton, Porter, Burnap, Johnson.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Eldredge, Cloutman, Noyes, Cummings.

And eight senators having voted in the affirmative and four in the negative, the bill passed.

An act to reorganize and equalize the senatorial districts according to the amended constitution.

On the passage of this bill, Mr. Cummings of No. 12 demanded the yeas and nays.

Upon the roll being called, the following senators voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Wheeler, Slayton, Head, Buffum, Eaton, Porter, Burnap, Johnson.

And the following in the negative :

Messrs. Eldredge, Cloutman, Noyes, Cummings.

And eight senators having voted in the affirmative and four in the negative, the bill passed.

An act in amendment of section 12 chapter 44, of the General Statutes relative to the publication of city ordinances.

On motion of Mr. Porter of No. 9, the Senate adjourned to meet at two o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON.

(Mr. Wheeler of No. 5 in the chair.)

By Mr. Cloutman of No. 6.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, A. D. 1877.

I introduce this resolution with pleasure, because I believe that merit deserves reward, and having been associated with our worthy president through two very pleasant sessions of this honorable body, and having become familiar with his manly qualities, and his noble and generous impulses, this, together with the uniformly kind treatment received at his hands, as President of the Senate the present session, secures for him a place in the hearts of the senators which they are proud to acknowledge by the unanimous passage of this resolution, as a tribute

of our love, respect, and appreciation of the man in whose interest this resolution is introduced. And now, Mr. President and senators, we are about to separate and go to our respective homes, and I am sure you will join me in the sincere hope that the future has in store for, and in due time will lavish many honors on, the head of the President of the Senate of 1877. I now have the pleasure of presenting the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be, and hereby are, tendered to the Hon. Natt Head for the able, impartial, and courteous manner with which he has discharged the duties of President of the Senate this session.

J. F. CLOUTMAN.

The resolution was adopted, upon which the president assumed the chair and addressed the Senate as follows :

Senators :

It gives me sincere pleasure to be assured that I have discharged the duties of the presiding officer of this body of which we are members to your satisfaction and approval. For while I do not feel that I merit the high compliment contained in the resolution you have just passed, its flattering allusions lead me to trust that the honest purposes which I know I brought with me to the honorable and responsible position to which your kindness assigned me, have not entirely failed. That these purposes have in some measure succeeded, is largely due to your courtesy and forbearance which have been extended to me on all occasions, and upon which I have always found it safe to rely. For these, and for the many other marks of your kindness and regard, I wish here to thank you individually and as a body.

For your work here, I feel assured the people of the state, whose servants we are, will remember you kindly. That mistakes have been made, that we have done some things which had better have been left undone, and failed to do some things which might have been accomplished with profit, is probable. But I am confident that there has been no act of ours which has been inspired by unworthy motives, or by any purpose save that

of serving the interests and guarding the rights of those who have delegated to us our powers.

We, gentlemen, are all business men, and we may lack the polish of the schools, but I believe that clear heads and honest hearts have served you, and through you your constituents, to as good a purpose as silver tongues could have done.

I know of nothing to which business principles are better applied than to legislation, and of no state in which practical common sense answers the demands of the people better, than in New Hampshire.

"Act your best judgment, without fear or favor," is the mandate which our people give to their legislators, and of this we have, I believe, tried to be mindful.

Our deliberations here have been in every respect harmonious and pleasant. Natural differences of opinion and honest differences of judgment have of course borne fruit in earnest debates, and decided votes, but there has been no discussion which has left bitterness behind it, and no contention from which has come loss of friendship or respect. For this we have a right to congratulate each other and ourselves.

And now, as we reach the close of a prolonged session, and return to our homes, permit me again to testify my gratitude for the aid, support and charity which you have so freely given me, and to express the hope that the friendships which have been formed and cemented here may have a long continuance, and that the mutual respect which has sprung from our official connection may be transferred to private life.

With this hope, and with an earnest wish for your welfare and happiness, I bid you a cordial good-by.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be presented to Tyler Westgate, clerk, Calvin Saunders, assistant clerk, and to John W. Babbitt, doorkeeper, for the courteous, faithful and efficient manner in which they have discharged their respective duties during the present session of the legislature.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Slayton of No. 3, the following message

from the House of Representatives was taken from the table :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives have passed the following resolution, in the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate :

Resolved, By the House of Representatives, the Honorable Senate concurring, That the present session of the legislature be brought to a close on Saturday, July 14th, 1877.

Mr. Porter of No. 9 offered the following amendment :

Amend by striking out after the word "on," "Saturday, July 14," and insert "Thursday, July 19."

The amendment was adopted, and the resolution, as amended, agreed to.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, on the part of the Senate, further reported that they had carefully examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills and joint resolutions :

An act to fix the time when the constitutional amendments adopted in March last shall take effect, and also providing for compiling the statutes of the state.

An act in relation to the asylum for the insane.

An act in relation to the rate of board at the reform school.

Joint resolution in relation to the claim of Warren M. Kelley for arrears of pay.

An act in amendment of chapter 21, passed at the June session, 1876, extending the jurisdiction of police courts in civil causes.

An act explanatory of an act passed June session, 1876, entitled, "An act to remove the disabilities of married women."

An act in relation to the Monadnock Railroad Company.

An act to provide for an assessment and collection of a state tax.

An act to extend the charter of the Sullivan Savings Institution.

An act in relation to taxes paid by savings banks to the United States.

An act in amendment of the charter of the city of Portsmouth providing for a board of instruction.

An act to incorporate the Excelsior Paper Stock Company.

An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 173, of the General Statutes.

An act to increase the revenues of the state of New Hampshire.

An act providing for the repairs of the roads in Green's and Martin's Grants.

An act to incorporate the Manchester Board of Trade.

An act for the relief of the town of Allenstown.

An act to incorporate the United States Marbleoid Company.

An act to incorporate Friendship Lodge, No. 19, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in Hooksett.

Joint resolution of thanks for portraits.

An act in amendment of chapter 129, General Statutes, relating to pounds and distraining animals.

An act in amendment of chapter 201 of the General Statutes relating to actions.

An act in relation to the support of indigent, idiotic and feeble-minded adult children.

Joint resolution in favor of department of justice at Washington.

An act to incorporate the Appleton Hotel Company.

Joint resolution in favor of George Y. Sawyer and others.

An act in amendment of section 2, chapter 41, of the Laws of 1872, in relation to the more equal distribution of estates.

An act to incorporate the North Conway Aqueduct Company.

Joint resolution relating to the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the battle of Bennington, and in aid of erecting a

monument in commemoration of the same, and defraying the expenses of troops.

Joint resolution providing for a board of commissioners to examine and ascertain whether all classes of property are equally taxed, and to recommend a plan to relieve the towns and cities from what is known as the state tax.

An act to incorporate the Manchester and Fitchburg Railroad.

An act to establish boards of education in such school districts of the state as may desire the same.

An act in amendment of chapter 79 of the General Statutes relating to meetings and officers of school districts.

Joint resolution for the appointment of a commission to inquire into and report what legislation, if any, is necessary in relation to the Winnipiseogee Lake Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company.

An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Lowell and Windham Railroad, passed June session, 1874.

An act repealing sections 3 and 4 of an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Strafford County Manufacturing Company," passed at June session, 1877.

Joint resolution relating to the proprietors of Portsmouth Bridge.

An act to increase the efficiency and reduce the expenses of the state militia.

An act relating to the town of Rye.

An act to provide for the employment of prisoners in county jails.

An act in amendment of section 7 of chapter 6 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1870, establishing a state normal school.

An act in regard to the protection of pickerel in Coos county.

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire college of agriculture and mechanic arts.

Joint resolution in relation to the fish commission.

An act regulating the taking of fish.

An act to regulate the construction of telegraph lines.

An act in relation to the better protection of trout.

An act to extend the time for completing the Manchester and Claremont railroad.

An act for the protection of black bass and salmon trout in Spofford's Lake.

An act to provide for a new state prison.

Joint resolution in favor of the state house.

An act in amendment of chapter 12 of the laws of 1873, relating to the public printing.

An act to repeal chapter 22 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868.

An act in amendment of chapter 161, section 9, of the General Statutes, concerning the solemnization of marriages.

An act to repeal chapter 111 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1868, entitled, "An act to provide for the geological and mineralogical survey of the state."

An act in amendment to chapter 141 of the General Statutes, relating to aqueduct and gas light companies.

Joint resolution in favor of John Pender.

Joint resolution in favor of Simeon F. Platt.

An act legalizing all the taxes assessed in the town of Bethlehem in the year 1877.

Joint resolution ceding the rights of New Hampshire in the national cemeteries to the general government.

An act defining the powers and duties of the fish commissioners.

An act for the protection of oyster beds.

Joint resolution in favor of the reform school.

An act to encourage the destruction of noxious animals and birds.

An act regarding the carrying of concealed weapons.

An act for the better protection of children.

Joint resolution relating to the national prohibitory law.

An act in amendment of chapter 99, General Statutes, in relation to trials of complaints and indictments for being a common seller of spirituous liquors, or for keeping the same for sale.

Joint resolution in relation to the highways in the town of Lincoln.

An act authorizing the Lake Village fire district of Gilford to raise money for the purpose of keeping in repair its town clock.

Joint resolution in favor of the New Hampshire Historical Society.

An act to regulate the publication of the reports of the Supreme Court.

An act in amendment of section 7, chapter 51, of the General Statutes, relating to persons giving name to collector of taxes.

Joint resolution relating to the reform movement.

An act making an appropriation for the state normal school.

An act to authorize the appointment of special administrators.

Joint resolution in favor of appointing a committee to revise and amend the fish and game laws.

An act in amendment of section 12, chapter 44, General Statutes, relative to the publication of city ordinances.

An act to change the time of holding the election for the choice of town officers.

An act regulating the sale of cider.

Joint resolution authorizing the commission to be appointed by the governor on equalizing taxes and increasing the revenues of the state to send for persons and papers and employ a clerk.

An act in relation to drawing logs on the public highways.

An act defining the representation of towns of less than six hundred population, as shown by the census of 1870.

An act to incorporate the Piscataqua Savings Bank.

An act in amendment of "An act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists and apothecaries in this state."

OLIVER L. NOYES,
For the Committee.

The report was accepted.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by their clerk :

Mr. President :

The House of Representatives now concur in the amendment sent down from the Honorable Senate, to House bill entitled, "An act in amendment of 'An act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists or apothecaries in this state.'"

The House of Representatives concur in the amendment to the House joint resolution, That the present session of the legislature be brought to a close on Saturday, July 14th, 1877.

The House of Representatives has appointed on its part, as members of the committee to wait on His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the legislature have completed the business of the session and are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make, Messrs. Norris of Epping, Garvin of Manchester, Phipps of Milan, Langdon of Portsmouth, Laselle of Goffstown, Robinson of Concord, Wood of Acworth, Hodgdon of Barnstead, Foster of Bristol, Evans of Gorham.

The Senate concurred, and joined on its part Messrs. Porter and Cummings.

On motion of Mr. Burnap of No. 10, the Senate receded from their amendment to the bill entitled,

An act in amendment of "An act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of druggists or apothecaries in this state."

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Mr. Porter of No. 9, for the joint select committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the legislature have completed the business of the session, and are ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make, reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and that the governor would send a communication to the legislature immediately.

And the report was accepted.

And subsequently His Excellency, the Hon. Benjamin F. Prescott, appeared in the senate chamber and delivered the following message :

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

CONCORD, July 19, 1877.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives :

Having signed all the acts and resolutions, except one, that have been presented to me for my approval and signature, and having been informed by a joint committee of both branches of the legislature that you have finished the business before you, and are now ready to be adjourned, I do, by the authority vested in me, hereby adjourn the legislature to the last Wednesday of May next.

B. F. PRESCOTT, *Governor.*

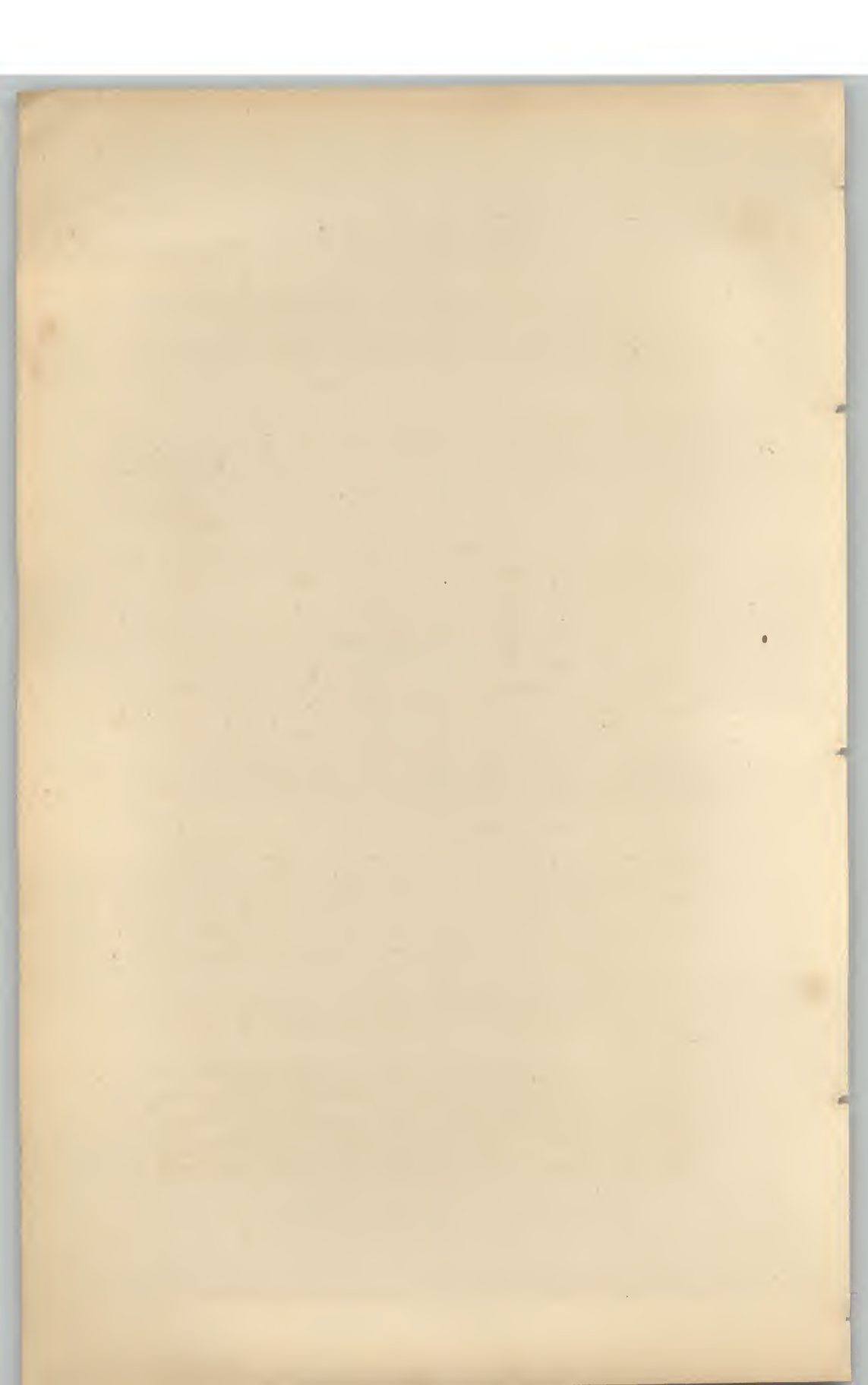
And thereupon the president declared the Senate adjourned to the last Wednesday of May next.

TYLER WESTGATE, *Clerk.*

A true copy. Attest :

TYLER WESTGATE, *Clerk.*

APPENDIX
TO THE
JOURNAL OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE.



RULES OF THE SENATE.

1. The president having taken the chair, and a quorum being present, the journal of the preceding day shall be read, and any erroneous entry shall be corrected.

2. No member shall hold conversation with another during the reading of the journal, or while a member is speaking in debate.

3. Every member rising to speak shall address the president, and when he has finished shall sit down.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, on the same day, without leave of the Senate.

5. More than one member rising to speak at the same time, the president shall decide who shall speak first.

6. If any member transgress the rules of the Senate, the president shall, or any member may, call him to order,—in which case the member so called to order shall sit down, and the Senate, if appealed to, shall decide in the case ; but if there be no appeal, the decision of the president shall be conclusive.

7. No member shall absent himself without permission from the Senate.

8. A motion shall be seconded before it is debated, and if required by the president, or any member, it shall be reduced to writing.

9. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to postpone to a certain day, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall take precedence in the order in which they are arranged ; and no motion to postpone indefinitely,

to postpone to a certain day, or to commit, being decided, shall be in order at the same stage of the bill or proposition, until after an adjournment.

10. If the question under debate will admit of division, any member may have it divided, and in filling blanks the longest time and the largest sum shall be put first.

11. When the reading of a paper is called for, and the same is objected to, it shall be decided by a vote of the Senate, and without debate.

12. When the yeas and nays are required, each member shall declare his assent or dissent to the question, unless, for special reasons, he be excused by the Senate.

13. When a motion is made to shut the doors of the Senate, on the discussion of any business which in the opinion of any member may require secrecy, the president shall desire the gallery to be closed, and the doors shall remain closed until the subject is disposed of.

14. After a motion has been decided, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the majority, or, if the Senate be equally divided, any member voting on the side prevailing, to move for a reconsideration thereof, unless the bill, resolution, report, amendment, or motion on which the vote was taken, has gone from the possession of the Senate; but no motion to reconsider shall be in order unless made the same day on which the vote was taken, or the next day after on which the vote was taken, on which the Senate shall be in session; but no vote shall be reconsidered when a less number of members is present than when it passed.

15. Before any petition or memorial address to the Senate shall be received and read, a brief statement of the contents thereof shall be made by the member introducing the same.

16. Any member, on giving notice of asking leave to bring in a bill, shall state the nature of the bill he proposes to introduce, and at least one day's notice shall be given before a motion for leave shall be in order.

17. Every bill shall be read three times before its passage; and the president shall give notice at each time whether it be the first, second, or third reading, and no bill after it has been

read a second time shall have a third reading before an adjournment.

18. All resolutions which may require the signature of the governor shall be treated in the same manner as bills.

19. When a bill shall have been read a first time, and ordered to a second reading, it shall be immediately read a second time by its title, and by the president referred to the appropriate standing committee, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.

20. All bills introduced in the Senate to repeal or modify an existing statute shall refer to the act proposed to be repealed or modified by the title, and the session at which it was passed ; and no bill shall refer to any statutes by the number of the chapter of the Pamphlet Laws.

21. The Senate may resolve itself into a committee of the whole at any time, on motion made for that purpose ; and in forming a committee of the whole, the president shall leave the chair, and appoint a chairman to preside in committee. The president may at any time name any member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

22. The last question, upon the second reading of a bill or resolution, shall always be, Shall it be read a third time ? and no amendment shall be received or discussed, on the third reading of any bill or resolution, unless by consent of eight members present ; but it shall at all times be in order, before the final passage of a bill or resolution, to move its commitment ; and should such commitment take place, and an amendment be reported, the bill or resolution shall again be read a second time, and considered as in committee of the whole.

23. The titles of bills, and such parts thereof as may be affected by proposed amendments, shall be entered on the journals.

24. All bills, resolutions, and addresses, after passing the Senate, shall be signed by the president ; and all warrants and other processes, issued by order of the Senate, shall be under his hand and seal, attested by the clerk.

25. The following standing committees, to consist of three members each, shall be appointed at the commencement of any session, with leave to report by bill or otherwise : a committee

on the judiciary ; a committee on incorporations ; a committee on state institutions ; a committee on military affairs, and roads, bridges and canals ; a committee on claims ; a committee on railroads ; a committee on banks ; a committee on agriculture and manufactures ; a committee on elections ; a committee on education ; a committee on finance ; and a committee on towns.

26. All committees shall be appointed by the president, unless a member request that the appointment shall be by ballot, in which case it shall be so done.

27. When the Senate shall concur with the House of Representatives in the appointment of a joint committee, consisting of not more than five members of the House, one member shall be added on the part of the Senate ; but when more than five, two members of the Senate shall be added.

28. Messages shall be sent to the House of Representatives by the clerk of the Senate.

29. Messages from the Governor or House of Representatives may be received at all times except when the Senate is engaged in putting the question, in calling the yeas and nays, counting the ballots, or in reading the journal.

30. All questions shall be put by the president, and each member of the Senate shall signify his assent or dissent by answering *yea* or *nay*. If the president doubts, or a division is called for, the Senate shall divide. Those in the affirmative of the question shall first rise from their seats, and stand till they be counted, and afterward those in the negative shall rise and stand till they be counted. The president shall then rise and state the decision of the Senate.

31. No person, except the members of the Executive, or members of the House of Representatives and its officers, shall be admitted within the bar of the Senate, except by invitation of the president, or some member with his consent.

32. The Senate shall adjourn to meet at ten o'clock in the morning and three o'clock in the afternoon of each day, unless the Senate shall otherwise order.

33. Motion to adjourn shall be decided without debate.

RULES OF THE HOUSE.

OF THE DUTY OF THE SPEAKER.

1. The speaker shall take the chair at precisely the hour to which the House shall have adjourned, shall immediately call the members to order, and at the commencement of each day's session shall cause the journal of the preceding day to be read.
2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak on points of order in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House by any two members.
3. Questions shall be distinctly put in this form, to wit: "As many as are of opinion that [as the case may be], say Aye;" and after the affirmative vote is expressed, "Those of a contrary opinion, say No." If the speaker doubts, or a division is called for, the House shall divide. Those in the affirmative of the question shall first rise from their seats and stand till they be counted, and afterward those in the negative shall rise and stand till they be counted. The speaker shall then rise and state the decision of the House.
4. He shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting.
5. All committees shall be appointed by the speaker, unless otherwise directed by the House.
6. The speaker shall designate to which of the standing committees all memorials, petitions, accounts, or other matters shall be referred, unless otherwise ordered by the House.
7. The speaker shall vote in no case unless the House be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will

make the division equal ; and in case of such equal division the question shall be lost.

8. All acts, addresses, and joint resolutions shall be signed by the speaker ; and all writs, warrants, or subpœnas, issued by order of the House, shall be under his hand and seal, attested by the clerk.

9. In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the galleries, the speaker, or chairman of the committee of the whole House, shall have the power to order the same to be cleared.

10. No person but the members and officers of the House, members of the Council, and members of the Senate, the secretary of the state, treasurer, and clerks of the Senate, shall be admitted within the door of the representatives' chamber, unless by invitation of the speaker, or some member of the House with the consent of the speaker, except in public hearings, parties, their counsel and witnesses, under the direction of the speaker.

11. The speaker shall have power to substitute any member to perform the duties of the chair, such substitution not to extend beyond an adjournment.

OF DECORUM AND DEBATE.

12. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat, and respectfully address himself to the *speaker*.

13. If any member transgress the rules of the House, the speaker shall, or any member may, call him to order ; in which case the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, and the question of order shall then be distinctly stated from the chair ; and in all cases where a member shall be called to order for uttering disrespectful words, upon the request of any member the words objected to shall be reduced to writing by the member so calling to order ; after which the member so called to order may explain, and the question shall be open to debate, as in other cases, and decided by the speaker, whose decision shall be submitted to, unless an appeal be made to the House by a member, in which case the only question shall be, "Is the speaker's decision correct?" which shall be decided

without debate. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he may proceed ; if otherwise, and the case may require it, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.

14. In all cases, the member first rising shall speak first. When two members rise at the same time, the speaker shall name the person to speak.

15. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the House ; nor more than once, until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

16. While the speaker is putting any question, or addressing the House, no one shall walk out of or across the House ; nor in such case, or when a member is speaking, shall entertain private discourse ; nor, while a member is speaking, shall pass between him and the chair ; nor shall any member leave his seat while the yeas and nays are calling.

17. No member shall vote on any question in the event of which he is directly interested ; or in any case where he was not present when the question was put ; nor sit upon any committee when he is directly interested in the question under consideration. In case of such interest of a member of a committee, the fact shall be reported to the House, and another person substituted on that question in his place.

18. Every member who shall be in the House when a question is put shall give his vote, unless the House, for special reason, shall excuse him.

19. No motion shall be debated until the same shall be seconded and stated from the chair ; and when a motion shall be made and seconded, it shall be reduced to writing, if desired by the speaker or any member, and delivered in at the table, and read by the speaker, before the same shall be debated.

20. No petition shall be received by the House unless it be presented by a member thereof, and upon motion made for that purpose ; nor until the substance of said petition be concisely minuted, and the name of the member, and the town he represents, recorded upon the back thereof ; and it shall be the duty of the speaker, whenever any motion relative to a petition is to be stated to the House, to state, in the first place, the substance of the petition, as minuted on the back thereof.

21. After a motion is stated by the speaker it shall be in possession of the House, but may be withdrawn at any time before an amendment.

22. When any question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but, 1st, to adjourn; 2d, to lay on the table; 3d, for the previous question; 4th, to postpone indefinitely; 5th, to postpone to a certain day; 6th, to commit; and 7th, to amend,—which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and take from the table, shall be decided without debate.

23. The speaker shall put the previous question in the following form: "*Shall the main question be now put?*" and all debate upon the main question shall be suspended until the previous question has been decided. After the adoption of the previous question, the sense of the House shall forthwith be taken upon pending amendments, in their regular order, and then upon the main question.

24. On the previous question no member shall speak more than once without leave, and all incidental questions of order, arising after a motion for the previous question, shall be decided without debate, excepting on appeal, and on such appeal no member shall be allowed to speak more than once without leave of the House.

25. If the previous question is decided in the negative, it shall not be again in order till after adjournment, but the main question shall be left before the House, and disposed of as though the previous question had not been put.

26. When a question is postponed indefinitely, the same shall not be acted upon during the session.

27. Any member may call for a division of the question, when the sense will admit of it; and upon a motion to amend, a refusal to strike out words shall neither preclude amendment to such words, nor a motion to strike out and insert.

28. A motion for commitment, until it is decided, shall preclude all amendment to the main question, and all motions and reports may be committed at the pleasure of the House.

29. No new motion shall be admitted, under color of amendment, as a substitute for the motion under debate.

30. No vote shall be reconsidered, unless the motion for reconsideration be made by a member who voted with the majority, nor unless the notice of such motion be given on the same day on which the vote passed, or on the next day on which the House shall be in session, between the hours of ten and twelve o'clock.

31. When the reading of a paper is called for and objected to by any member, it shall be determined by a vote of the House.

32. Any member may excuse himself from serving on any committee at the time of his appointment, if he is then a member of two other committees who have not reported.

33. Each member shall seasonably and punctually attend to his duty in the House, and no one shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be sick and unable to attend.

34. The speaker shall appoint a sergeant-at-arms, whenever it may be necessary to execute the commands of the House and process issued by its authority. And he shall also appoint a teller for each division of the House, whose duty it shall be to report to the chair the state of the vote, whenever a division of the House is called for.

OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

35. The following standing committees shall be appointed early in the June session :

A committee on national affairs ; a committee on elections ; a committee on the judiciary ; a committee on banks ; a committee on the state prison ; a committee on insurance ; a committee on the state agricultural college ; a committee on agriculture ; a committee on manufactures ; a committee on finance ; a committee on retrenchment and reform ; a committee on military affairs ; a committee on education ; a committee on the state normal school ; a committee on incorporations ; a committee on towns and parishes ; a committee on the division of towns ; a committee on the asylum for the insane ; a committee on railroads ; a committee on roads, bridges and canals ; a committee on unfinished business ; a committee on mileage ; a committee on fisheries ; a committee on the reform school ; and a

committee on claims—to consist of twelve members each; a committee on bills on their second reading; a committee on printers' accounts; a committee on military accounts—to consist of nine members each.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on National Affairs to consider all matters of national concern, all matters referred to the state by the general government, and all matters pertaining to our federal relations, that may be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Elections to examine and report upon the certificates or other credentials of the election of the members returned to serve in this House, and to take into consideration all such petitions and other matters in relation to elections or returns as shall or may be presented, or come into question, and shall be referred to them by the House.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Judiciary to take into their consideration all matters in relation to the judiciary system of the state; to examine and report what laws have expired, or are near about expiring, and require to be revived or further continued, and report their opinion on all constitutional questions that may be referred to them by the House.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Banks to consider all applications for the incorporation of banks, and all subjects relating to such institutions, that may be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the State Prison to take into consideration all matters in relation to the state prison; to examine all reports and accounts that may be submitted by the warden, and make such report, either by bill or otherwise, as they think the interest of the state requires.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Insurance to consider all applications for the incorporation of insurance companies, and all subjects relating to insurance companies, domestic and foreign, and whether life, fire, marine, accidental, or of any other character, that may be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the State Agricul-

tural College to examine in relation to the rules and government of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, and all matters connected therewith, and all such other matters as may be referred to them by the House, and to make such report thereon, either by bill or otherwise, as they think the interest of the state requires.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Agriculture to take into consideration all matters concerning the agricultural interests and public lands of the state, and the incorporation of agricultural societies, that shall be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Manufactures to consider all matters concerning the manufacturing interests of the state, and all applications for incorporation for manufacturing purposes, which shall be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Finance to examine and take into consideration the state of the treasury, to report what sum it may be necessary to raise as a state tax, and on every subject touching the financial interests of the state, that may be referred to them by the House.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform to take into consideration the public expenditures, and all questions relating thereto; and also to consider all questions relating to the subject of administrative reforms in the various departments of the state government, and report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Military Affairs to consider all applications for altering and amending laws regulating the militia of this state, and for the removal of military officers, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Education to consider all subjects relative to the regulation of school districts and schools, and all matters concerning education, that may be referred to them by the House, and report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the State Normal School to examine in relation to the government of the State Normal School, and all matters connected therewith, and all

such other matters as may be referred to them by the House, and to make such report thereon, either by bill or otherwise, as they think the interests of the state require.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Incorporations to consider and report on all applications for acts of incorporation, and all other matters which may come in question relative to bodies corporate, that may be referred to them by the House, excepting those relating to towns, parishes, turnpikes, railroads, canals, banks, agricultural societies, and factories. And upon every application for an act of incorporation referred to them, they shall inquire whether the object of the application may not be conveniently obtained by voluntary incorporation under the general laws of the state, and they shall report accordingly.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Towns and Parishes to consider all applications for the alteration of town or parish lines by the annexation of one portion of a town or parish to another town or parish, that may be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Division of Towns to consider all applications for incorporation of towns or parishes, by division of towns or otherwise, that may be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Asylum for the Insane to examine all accounts, particularly of those relating to the expenditure of moneys appropriated by the state; to examine in relation to the rules and government of the institution, and all matters of general interest connected therewith, and all such matters as shall be referred to them by the House, and report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Railroads to consider all petitions for the incorporation of railroads; for alterations, and all matters relative thereto, that may be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Roads, Bridges, and Canals to consider all applications for the incorporation of turnpikes, bridges, or canals, and for the alteration of tolls, and all matters relative thereto that may be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Unfinished Business to examine and report, from the journals of the last session, all such matters as were then pending and undetermined.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Mileage to ascertain the distance traveled by each member of the House, computing the same by the nearest traveled highway, and report to the House, with the names of the several members, and the distance traveled by each.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Fisheries to consider all matters concerning the location, growth, cultivation, protection, improvement, and preservation of fish, within the waters of this state, and all matters relative thereto, which may be referred to them by the House, and make such report thereon, either by bill or otherwise, as they think the interest of the state requires.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Reform School to examine in relation to the rules and government of the institution, and all matters of general interest connected therewith, and all such matters as may be referred to them by the House, and make such report, either by bill or otherwise, as they think the interest of the state requires.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Bills on the Second Reading to take into consideration all bills on the second reading that may be committed or otherwise, and to make such report thereon as they may think expedient.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Printers' Accounts to examine and adjust all accounts against the state for printing, and every subject relating to such accounts that may be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Military Accounts to examine, adjust, and report on all accounts relative to the militia that may be referred to them by the House.

It shall be the duty of the Committee on Claims to audit, adjust, and report on all accounts and claims that may be presented for allowance, except accounts for printing, military accounts, and accounts for engrossing bills.

36. All other committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered.

37. The standing committees shall attend at their respective committee rooms two hours before the meeting of the House in the morning, and at such other times as the House shall order; and no committee shall sit during the sitting of the House, unless when the speaker shall consider it necessary.

38. The first named member of any committee appointed by the speaker of the House shall be chairman; and in case of his absence, or being excused by the House, the next named member, and so on, as often as the case may happen, unless the committee, by a majority of the number, elect a chairman. And when any committee shall report otherwise than by bill, they shall, if the subject admit of it, subjoin to their report a resolution, making such disposition of the matter committed to them as to the committee shall seem expedient.

39. Whenever it shall not be convenient for any standing committee to attend promptly to all the business which may be properly referred to it, the speaker may, on a vote of the House to that effect, appoint an additional committee on the same subject, to consist of the same number of members as the original committee, whose duty it shall be to take into consideration all matters in relation to that subject which shall be referred to them by the House, and to report thereon.

ON BILLS.

40. Every bill and joint resolution shall be introduced by motion for leave, or by an order of the House on the report of a committee; and no bill or joint resolution shall be introduced by any member (except on the report of a committee) unless he shall have given at least one day's notice of intention, and of the object of the bill or joint resolution to be introduced.

41. Every bill and resolution originally introduced into the House shall be expressed in words clearly, so that it shall not be necessary to refer to any other act or statute to ascertain the meaning thereof.

42. Every bill shall have three several readings in the House previous to its passage;—the first reading shall be for information; and thereupon, when the bill shall have been introduced by a committee, if not rejected or otherwise disposed of, a time

shall be assigned for a second reading ; and upon the second reading, if not rejected or otherwise disposed of by the House, a time shall be assigned for a third reading. When a bill shall have been introduced by a member upon leave, or by message from the Senate, and read a first time, if it be not rejected or otherwise disposed of by the House, the question shall be, " Shall the bill be read a second time ? " And if ordered to a second reading, it shall immediately be read a second time by its title, and be by the speaker referred to the appropriate standing committee, unless otherwise ordered by the House. No bill, after it has been read a second time, shall have a third reading until after an adjournment. The time assigned for the second and third readings of bills and resolutions shall be 11 o'clock in the forenoon and 3 o'clock in the afternoon, unless otherwise ordered by the House.

43. No amendment shall be made but upon the second reading of a bill or joint resolution, and all resolutions shall be in writing, with the name of the member and the town he represents on the back thereof. The orders of the day for the reading of bills and joint resolutions shall hold for every succeeding day, until disposed of.

44. All bills, and all votes and resolutions that are necessary to be carried to the Senate for their concurrence, may be sent by the assistant clerk.

OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

45. The House may resolve itself into Committee of the Whole House at any time, on the motion of a member made for that purpose ; and in forming a Committee of the Whole House, the speaker shall leave the chair, and a chairman to preside in committee shall be appointed by the speaker.

46. Upon bills and resolutions committed to a Committee of the Whole House, the bill or resolution shall first be read throughout by the clerk, and then again read and debated by clauses, leaving the preamble of the bill to be last considered. The body of the bill or resolution shall not be defaced or interlined, but all amendments, noting the page and line, shall be duly entered by the clerk on a separate paper, as the same shall

be agreed to by the committee, and so reported to the House. After report, the bill or resolution shall again be subject to be debated and amended by clauses, before a question to pass it to a third reading be taken.

47. The rules of proceeding in the House shall be observed in Committee of the Whole House, so far as they may be applicable, except the rule limiting the time of speaking.

48. No standing rule or order of the House shall be rescinded without one day's notice being given of the motion therefor ; nor suspended, unless by a vote therefor of two-thirds of the members present, to be ascertained by actual count, when any member shall request the same.

ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE DAY.

49. As soon as the journal is read, the speaker shall call for petitions from members of the House. The petitions having been presented and disposed of, reports, first from the standing and then from the select committees, shall be called for and disposed of. And the above business shall be done in no other part of the day, except by permission of the House.

50. The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the last preceding adjournment, if called for by any member, shall have the preference over all other business, except the general order of the day ; and no motion, or any other business, except the general order of the day, shall be received without special leave of the House, until the former is disposed of.

JOINT RULES

OF THE

SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

1. When a convention of the two houses is to be formed, whether by a requirement of the constitution, or by a vote or resolve of the two houses, a message shall be sent from the House of Representatives to the Senate, giving notice when the House will meet the Senate in convention. As soon thereafter as the convenience of the Senate will permit, they will attend in the House. The speaker of the House shall be chairman of the convention, and shall state the reasons for forming the convention. When the House and Senate are thus formed in convention, the rules adopted as the Rules of the House shall be considered the rules of the convention, so far as they may be deemed applicable, and the convention shall accordingly be governed thereby.

2. Messages shall be sent by such person or persons as each House may deem to be proper.

3. Messages from either House shall be received by the other at all times, except when engaged in putting a question, in calling the yeas and nays, in counting the ballots, or in reading the journal.

4. When a message shall be sent from either house to the other, it shall be announced at the door of the house to which it may be sent, by the door-keeper.

5. While bills are on their passage between the two houses,

they shall be under the signature of the clerk of each house respectively.

6. There shall be a committee for the purpose of engrossing bills, consisting of two members of each house. All bills that pass both houses shall be delivered to said committee, be by them engrossed, carefully examined, and reported to the respective houses, and shall be signed, first by the speaker of the House of Representatives, and then by the president of the Senate.

7. There shall be a committee, to consist of three members of the House and one of the Senate, on each of the following subjects, to wit: On all matters relative to the state library, and on all matters relative to the state house and state house yard.

8. Every bill or joint resolution, repealing or modifying any act or statute, shall refer to the same by the chapter, title, and section of the General Statutes if contained therein, otherwise by its title and session of the legislature when the same was passed, and shall also be expressed in words clearly, so that it shall not be necessary to refer to any other act or statute to ascertain the meaning thereof; and it shall be the duty of the presiding officer of each branch of the legislature to require all such bills and resolutions to be made in conformity therewith, before putting any vote thereon except to commit or amend.

9. When a bill or resolve which shall have passed in one house is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the house in which the same shall have passed.

10. Each house shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or resolve may be founded.

11. Each house shall transmit to the other all bills which have passed their several stages in the house in which they originated, at least twenty-four hours before the time fixed for adjournment.

12. After each house shall have adhered to their disagreement, a bill or resolve shall be considered lost.

13. No bill, joint resolution, claim outstanding on the first day of the session, or petition relating to new business, shall be received in either branch of the legislature after the third week

of the session, unless reported from a committee ; provided, that this rule may be suspended in either house whenever two-thirds of the whole number of members shall actually vote in favor thereof, and not otherwise.

REPORT
OF THE
MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

JUNE SESSION, 1877.

The committee on finance, to whom was referred the bill entitled, "An act to amend chapter 57 of the General Statutes, in relation to railroads," having considered the same, and being impressed that there is an inequality in the taxation of railroads, and that there is a necessity for a more extended and careful inquiry into the merits of the bill referred, and which it has been impossible for your committee, within the limited time at their disposal during the present session, to examine and investigate thoroughly; and as the Legislature has passed a joint resolution providing for a board of commissioners to examine and ascertain whether all classes of property are equally taxed and to recommend a plan to reduce what is known as the state tax, your committee ask leave to report the following resolution and recommend its passage:

Resolved, That the bill be referred to said commission to report at the next session of the Legislature.

WARREN F. DANIELL,
JOSHUA CONVERSE,
JOHN T. CUTTER,
HARVEY W. TILTON,
AMOS C. CHASE,
R. C. SANBORN,
W. M. WEED,

For the Committee.

REPORT
OF THE
MINORITY OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JULY 17, 1877.

The undersigned, members of the committee on finance, having had under consideration, the majority of the committee being present, the bill entitled, "An act to amend chapter 57 of the General Statutes, in relation to taxing railroads," beg leave to make the following report:

The committee by unanimous consent have heard fully, at four different sessions, parties and attorneys representing the various railroads, who chose to come before them. The principal objections urged against the bill came from railroads paying taxes under the present law, as was shown by their own statements, upon the market value of the original stock, which in most of these cases has become comparatively worthless by reason of the diversion of the earnings of their road to the payment of the principal and interest of preferred stock, bonds, and other indebtedness, which debts or obligations were shown to be good and valid securities upon which interest is paid regularly at from six to seven per cent per annum on all the railroads in this state.

The parties representing these roads claimed that all railroads owing debts represented by bonds or otherwise ought to have this indebtedness exempted from taxation, but when confronted with the fact that the *farms, workshops*, and, in fact, all other

property upon which liens, mortgages, or debts rested were taxed for the full amount without deducting these incumbrances, they only answered by saying that *they thought this law was wrong*. Another objection was that the railroads whose revenues were absorbed by the mortgage or bonded debt might be taxed too high under the proposed bill, and possibly in some cases this might throw the road into the hands of the bondholders, and thus cripple the operations of these roads.

In order to meet this objection, the undersigned of your committee offered an amendment, providing that if any railroad corporation should feel aggrieved at any valuation or assessment of its property or franchise, the officers thereof might file with the Governor and Council a sworn statement of the amount which they claimed to be excessive. Whereupon, after due notice to all parties interested, including the Attorney-General who should represent the state, the Governor and Council should hear and determine whether or not such assessment was excessive, and if they should find that any amount had been wrongfully assessed, they should direct the State Treasurer to suspend the collection of the sum so found to be excessive, and collect only the remainder not so found to be excessive, the Governor to report the same to the next Legislature, with the recommendation that the sum so found to be excessive be abated, and that no extent should issue for the collection of the amount thus suspended until the Legislature should have acted adversely or failed for two sessions to act favorably upon the recommendations of the Governor and Council.

This exceedingly fair and just provision did not, however, seem to abate the opposition to the bill, and it almost seemed to the undersigned that the nearer we approached absolute justice the more the opposition increased.

The proposition to refer the whole matter to a commission, presented by a member of the committee who had already committed himself to that plan in a report which he had signed as a member of another committee, and which now lies upon the table, was so manifestly at variance with the wishes of the House as expressed by the vote of nearly four-fifths on suspending the rules, and sending this bill to a committee whose chair-

man had drawn the bill and presented it to the House, that the undersigned could not have agreed to that proposition, even though we were willing to allow the state to lose, the present year or before the action of any commission could be enacted with law, a sum not less than from \$50,000 to \$75,000, and probably more than \$150,000.

The undersigned therefore earnestly recommend immediate action on the part of the House, and report the bill and amendments above adverted to, with the recommendation that the bill and amendments pass.

N. G. ORDWAY,
ISAAC C. WIGHT,
F. R. THURSTON,
HENRY BURT,

Members of the Finance Committee.

REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

JUNE SESSION, 1877.

The committee to whom was referred the duty of fixing the mileage of the members of the House, report the following resolution :

Resolved, That each member be allowed the number of miles' travel set opposite his name in the following list, and that the clerk be instructed to make up the mileage roll of the House of Representatives in accordance therewith.

JAMES B. SUMNER,

For the Committee.

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TOWN.	NAME.	MILES.
Atkinson, . . .	Greenleaf Clarke.	108
Auburn, . . .	Charles C. Grant.	70
Brentwood, . . .	John Brown.	88
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Exeter, . . .	Joseph T. Porter,	90
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	Wm. Burlingame,	90
	Alfred Conner.	90
Fremont, . . .	Sherburne Sanborn,	90
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Nottingham, . . .	James A. Kelsey.	94
North Hampton, . .	Edwin M. Lamprey.	120
Plaistow, . . .	James M. Davis.	112
Portsmouth—Ward 1, .	R. H. Waldron,	120
	George E. Hanson,	120
	Frank W. Hackett.	120
Ward 2, .	William A. Hodgdon,	120
	Wm. H. Sise,	120
	Titus S. Tredick,	120
	Thomas E. Call.	120
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Ward 4, .	Mercer Goodrich,	120
	Samuel Langdon.	120
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South Newmarket, .	J. Lewis Chase.	90
Stratham, . . .	Charles E. Gear.	100
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	William P. Moses.	130
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	Albert F. Seavey.	120
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	George F. Mosher,	120
	Wm. H. Palmer.	120
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	Lewis F. Busiel,	50
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Benton, . . .	Prescott Parker.	210
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REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE ON THE STATE REFORM SCHOOL.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JUNE SESSION, 1877.

The committee, in company with members of the Honorable Senate and of the House, visited the school on the 27th of June, and again on the 10th of July, and on each of these occasions made a careful and thorough investigation into the management and condition of the institution in all its details. The committee are unanimously of the opinion that the institution is a noble and invaluable charity, and in its efficiency as a means of reformation an honor to the state.

The superintendent and matron, teachers and officers, are alike deserving of commendation and praise for the faultless discipline, the excellent deportment and the remarkable proficiency of those whom they have in charge. Everything in and about the building gives unmistakable evidence of successful management and perfect mastery of the situation. A prompt and cheerful obedience is secured by the rule of kindness and firmness, and the inmates seem to be constantly surrounded by influences which cannot fail to insure for them the reformation which it is the object of the institution to bestow.

While the committee have found so much to commend, they

have nevertheless been led to inquire whether the same beneficent results might not be obtained with a less expenditure of money, and they are of the opinion that the usefulness of the institution would not be impaired by the exercise of more rigid economy and a general curtailment of its expenses. During the last five years the salaries and wages paid officers and teachers have averaged \$5,877 annually, whereas during the five years from 1862 to 1867, with an equally large number of inmates, the average expenditure for the same service was only \$2,170.49, and the general expenses of the school have increased in corresponding ratio. As a means of checking this apparent increase of expenditures and the seeming growth of extravagance, the committee have heretofore reported a bill referred to them by the House and recommended its passage, reducing the price of board from \$2.00 to \$1.50 per week, the effect of which, for the coming year at least, will be to reduce the receipts about \$3,000 per year. A considerable reduction in the ordinary expenses may be made in the item of fuel, by a change which is imperatively demanded in the heating and cooking apparatus.

The reports for the last two years show an expenditure for wood and coal alone of \$4,120, and the committee are assured that a saving of at least \$500 per year and probably more could be effected by a small and judicious outlay.

If this much-needed improvement were made, the committee are of opinion that the additional expenditure of nearly \$400 per year, which is now paid for insurance, might prudently be dispensed with, as the building has excellent facilities for extinguishing fire, and the only apparent risk is from the present defective and dangerous heating arrangements. In view of these facts, and the further fact that extensive repairs must be made before the present means for heating can be used at all, the committee report the following joint resolution and recommend its passage.*

[* See proceedings, elsewhere.]

REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE ON NEW HAMPSHIRE ASYLUM FOR
THE INSANE.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

JUNE SESSION, 1877.

The committee on the Asylum for the Insane, to whom was referred the petition and memorial of Richard Woodham and wife, now confined in the Asylum for the Insane, submit the following report: Your committee having decided to afford the memorialists an opportunity to be personally heard at length, upon the grievances set forth in their memorial, as well as any other matter they might desire to bring before the committee, after notice to Mr. Woodham, proceeded to hear at the Asylum, on the twenty-seventh of June, his statement of all the matters contained in his memorial, giving him opportunity for personal statement, fully, and without restriction, and giving, also, an opportunity to your committee to examine his appearance and condition.

In addition to this, they also examined witnesses conversant and familiar with the circumstances alluded to in his memorial, out of which his misfortunes and final confinement in the Asylum arose. Your committee find that Mr. Woodham and his wife are confined in the Asylum upon an order of the Supreme Court of Hillsborough County, according to the forms and requirements of the law, after a fair and impartial trial upon a

verdict of a jury of "not guilty by reason of insanity;" and they further report, that the hearing, examination and observation of his present condition, compel them to say that the unfortunate mental condition, amounting to insanity, which compelled his confinement under order of the court, still exists in such degree as to render him and his wife proper subjects for present and future confinement, and while the committee are permitted to hope that such confinement, and the kind and careful treatment afforded these unfortunate inmates, may in time ameliorate or change their condition for the better, and enable them to leave the institution fully recovered, they are unanimously of the opinion that nothing has been or can be disclosed to call for or warrant the interference of the House, or demand their discharge from the Asylum.

J. W. STURTEVANT,
REUBEN M. BURLEY,
GEORGE E. HANSON,
G. A. YOUNG,
N. H. GEORGE,
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For the Committee.

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